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BATTLE FOR NANKING EXPECTED AT DAWN

DECLARATION OF WAR MAY FOLLOW FALL

JAPANESE CONFIDENT; ALREADY PLANNING ADMINISTRATION

TOKYO, DEC. 7.
 CIRCLES HERE, WHOSE BASIS FOR THEIR PREDICTIONS ARE OFFICIAL REPORTS, EXPECT THE FINAL BATTLE FOR NANKING, AND POSSIBLY ITS CAPTURE, TO TAKE PLACE AT DAWN TO-DAY.—UNITED PRESS.

NEXT STEP IN CAMPAIGN

Tokyo, Dec. 7.
 Immediately after the fall of Nanking, officials of the Imperial General Headquarters and key members of the Japanese Cabinet will meet in emergency joint conference to draw up a new policy towards China, according to the usually well-informed *Yomiuri Shimbun*.

This newspaper says that the points to be discussed will include:

1. Declaration of war on China;
2. Creation of a new administration for North China and other parts of the country.

The *Yomiuri Shimbun* adds that the imminent fall of Nanking "will mark a turning point in the Japanese military operations in China."—Reuter.

Japanese Vanguards Repulsed

Nanking, Dec. 7.
 The small batch of Japanese vanguards who succeeded in reaching Tangshan in the suburbs of Nanking, creating a menace to the capital, was repulsed by the Chinese defending forces last night after a grim battle. The Japanese withdrew to a point about six kilometres from Tangshan. The Chinese forces are continuing to press forward in an attempt to round them up within the shortest possible time.—Central News.

Grim Battle Fought At Hsinfengchen

Nanking, Dec. 7.
 How a handful of Chinese troops, numbering about 100, locked in a grim battle with a much larger Japanese force at Hsinfengchen in the vicinity of Chinkiang, was finally (Continued on Page 12.)

Warring On Business Recession

Washington, Dec. 6.
 A seven-point recovery programme was outlined by Mr. Henry A. Wallace, Secretary for Agriculture, in a radio talk this evening in which he appealed for the co-operation of all sections of trade to bring about a co-ordinated drive against business recession.

He urged co-operation, firstly, in a revival of housing; secondly, by a revision of taxation to cure injustice but to maintain revenue; thirdly, the maintenance of farm purchasing power by an enactment to assure an over-normal granary; fourthly, maintenance in the purchasing power of labour by the formulation of a sensible labour programme; fifthly, the assurance of credit and capital by a healthy securities market with a view to encouraging increase in output and employment.

A sixth point was the provision of Government capital in case of need to carry the burden until private capital takes over. And finally he asked for continuance of a careful approach for a revival of world peace and world trade by a reciprocal trade programme.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

DETERMINED TO RESIST

Shanghai, Dec. 7.
 Despite the rapid Japanese advance against Nanking, the Chinese Supreme Command reaffirms its determination to defend the capital.

Meanwhile, Chinese forces stationed at Tangshan have withdrawn to Chinkiang, which is soon expected to be severely attacked. Practically all of the 30,000 inhabitants of the city have already evacuated.—Reuter.

DECLINE TO REVEAL PEACE TERMS

Tokyo, Dec. 7.
 It is authoritatively stated that Japan was never approached by a third party regarding the proposed good offices of mediation in the Sino-Japanese conflict. Nor was Japan informed by Germany regarding the activities of the German Ambassador, Dr. Oscar Trautmann, at Hankow and Nanking.

When questioned, a spokesman at the Foreign Office said that Japanese would welcome the good offices of a third party, but had never requested any specific country to mediate in the conflict.

The spokesman declined to divulge Japan's peace terms, but declared that Japan's fundamental policy was simple and clear, namely that Japan demands that Nanking abandon her anti-Japanese policy, and instead shall pursue a policy of co-operation with Japan.

Questioned whether Japan would deal with the National Government, a spokesman said: "Certainly, Japan is ready to deal with any Central Government of China, although it is China's internal question whether Chiang Kai-shek shall retain supreme power in China."—Reuter.

(Further Stop Press News on Page 12.)

British Feeling Aroused by Wuhu Bombing

ITALY'S WOUNDED BACK FROM SPAIN



Buying U.S. War Planes For China

Washington, Dec. 6.
 The State Department discloses that export licences for war material to the value of £340,474, granted to China in November, were mainly devoted to the purchase of military aeroplanes.—Reuter.

DETAILS OF ARMS EXPORTS

Later.
 The Munitions Control Board announced that in November authorised arms export licences were valued at \$55,746,981, revealing heavy impending arms shipments to China, Russia and Japan.

China's exports valued \$1,702,370, mostly for aeroplanes; Russia's exports were \$806,613 and Japan's \$521,453, both countries purchasing chiefly planes and spare parts.

Most of the other exports were taken up by Canada, Germany, Turkey, Rumania, Mexico and Brazil.—United Press.

POLAND FRIEND OF FRANCE

Definite Alliance For Stability Of Europe

Warsaw, Dec. 6.
 Many Franco-Polish differences of opinion are believed to have been removed, and there are no longer obstacles to co-operation between the two countries, as a result of the visit to Warsaw of M. Yvon Delbos, the French Foreign Minister, and his conversations with the Foreign Minister, Colonel Beck.

M. Delbos this morning received the Order of the White Eagle, the highest Polish decoration.

Interviewed, he expressed his pleasure at the warmth of the welcome he had received, and said that the Franco-Polish alliance was no mere paper friendship, but a definite alliance for the stability of Europe.

M. Delbos lunched with M. Jozef Beck, Polish Foreign Minister, after which both left for Krakow.—Reuter.

SHIPS IN WIRELESS COMMUNICATION

The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong radio station—Taiseun-hong, Chengtu, Bertram Rickmers, Patroclus, Hsianang, Recorder, Mino Maru, Dos Hermanos, Rawalpindi, Salaria, President Taft, Tarnan, and Empress of Canada.

Wounded Italian Officers returning to Rome from the fighting in Spain were hailed as heroes and Signor Benito Mussolini distributed medals to families of soldiers who were killed there. Here are some of the wounded warriors arriving in the Italian capital city, invalided home from service with General Franco's insurgent forces.

Imperial Preference Maintained Dominions Minister Gives Assurance

London, Dec. 6.
 There is no question of the abandonment of the principle of practice of Imperial Preference, declared Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Secretary for the Dominions, referring to the Anglo-American trade negotiations.

He said: "We shall keep in close touch with the Dominions and other parts of the Empire concerned."—Reuter.

Arabs Sent To Prison By British

Italy Makes "Grand Gesture"

Jerusalem, Dec. 6.
 The military court, sitting at Nazareth to-day, sentenced two Arabs to life imprisonment for carrying arms.

Both pleaded guilty to illegal possession of rifles and revolvers.—Reuter.

EQUAL TREATMENT

Rome, Dec. 6.
 Italy will grant equal rights to Arabs and foreigners in Libya, declared General Balbo, Viceroy of Libya to-day.

He added that the land would be shared and concessions granted equally between the Arabs and the foreigners.—Reuter.

NEW FEATURE COMMENCING

Starting to-morrow the Hongkong Telegraph is offering its readers a new feature, consisting of a series of weekly articles by a popular Staff Contributor, Mr. T. Paul Gregory.

Mr. Gregory has delved into the ancient history of this Colony and has extracted some of the most romantic stories connected with its great names. Hongkong does not lack for famous people, and the Telegraph is pleased to have this opportunity of bringing some of their really wonderful achievements to the notice of its readers.

Mr. Gregory would be interested to hear from correspondents of any interesting facts which his biographies may have omitted.

Lost Mails Likely To Be Recovered

London, Dec. 6.
 The Postmaster-General announces that the great bulk of the mails from Malaya, India, Hongkong, Egypt, and other points, on the flying-boat, Cygnus, which crashed at Brindisi on Sunday, is likely to be recovered.—Reuter.

It is believed a considerable quantity of Hongkong mail of November 26 was on the plane. The liner sank after its crash.

RUSH TO UNLOAD SILVER

Indian Speculators Sell In Panic
 Fear Chinese Liquidation

London, Dec. 6.
 Alarmed lest the 1933 silver agreement should not be renewed and frightened at the possibility of China being forced to liquidate her huge London stocks of silver, Indian speculators rushed to sell to-day.

Most of the selling orders, however, had a limit of 10 pence and when the price fell below this they were consequently withdrawn, so that business was at a fixed level, only a moderate sale at the best orders being absorbed by "bear" covering.

After the fixing of the price, the market was very quiet. Sellers were most reserved and many were of the opinion that the fall was overdone, pointing out that the United States has too large a stake in silver to allow the world price to sink much lower.—Reuter.

LOWEST SINCE MAY 1934

London, Dec. 6.
 Silver prices reached the lowest level since May 1934 here to-day.

The decline came with apprehension over the explanation of the United States Silver Act and the pact with London.

Traders say that it is impossible to gauge the market's future until the United States gives some indication of its policy or India discontinues selling.

The British Treasury has made no comment on the silver question. Many quarters believe that the break was induced by fear that the London agreement will not be renewed. It is understood that the

RECURRING INCIDENTS DISTURBING

Tension at Height Unequalled at Any Previous Period

London, Dec. 7.
 The bombing of the British ships at Wuhu on Saturday has brought the anti-Japanese feeling here to a tenseness unequalled so far in the conflict.

The incident followed closely after other causes of friction, firstly, the alleged threat that Hongkong might be brought into the area of hostilities; secondly, the reported Japanese demand for permission for their troops to march into the International Settlement at Shanghai at any time without previously notifying the Shanghai Municipal Council; Thirdly, the Japanese threats of "adequate action" in connection with last Friday's flag tearing incident in which a Briton was involved; Fourthly, the fear that the Japanese are likely to increase their demands for control in Shanghai as their troops approach Nanking.—United Press.

JAPANESE WANT OWN CENSORS IN S'HA

Foreign Companies Told Of Desire
 Britain Consults Other Powers

London, Dec. 6.
 In the House of Commons to-day, the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, replying to Mr. A. C. Moreing, said he understood the Japanese authorities had informed the foreign cable companies in Shanghai they desire to replace the Chinese censors with nominees of their own.

It is understood that no such substitutes, in fact, are being effected. Meanwhile steps are being taken to consult with other governments concerned, added Mr. Eden.

With reference to the earlier discussion on the Far East situation in the House of Commons to-day, it was authoritatively emphasised that the British Government is fully determined to uphold British rights and interests, though obviously any action must await the result of investigation of circumstances.—Reuter.

United States Treasury is still paying 45 cents per ounce for foreign silver. Also it is understood that the U.S. Treasury favours the revision of the silver programme on the grounds that it is too expensive. However, it is expected that President Roosevelt will accede to the western demand and extend the programme in his proclamation at the end of this year.—United Press.

British Admiral Protests

Shanghai, Dec. 7.
 Admiral Sir Charles Little, C-in-C of the China Station, has sent a written protest to Admiral Hasegawa, in command of the Japanese fleet in Shanghai, concerning the Wuhu bombing.—Reuter.

International Clearing Bank Scheme

Not Popular With British Cabinet

London, Dec. 6.
 A suggestion was made in the House of Commons to-day by Mr. W. Craven-Ellis (Cons.) that the Government consider the adoption of a policy accepting gold at a fixed international price of 140 shillings an ounce, not as a measure for the value of currency, but as a commodity for the settlement of trade balances through an international clearing bank, of which all countries with central banks should be members.

Lt.-Col. D. J. Colville, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, replied that the Government was not contemplating such a plan, nor was Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, satisfied as to its possibilities.

Mr. Craven-Ellis asked if the Treasury had considered calling a conference for securing an international currency agreement.

Lt.-Col. Colville undertook to study any memorandum the questioner sent on the subject to him, but was unable to add to his answer.—Reuter.

RETURN OVER OCEAN AFTER RECORD HOP

Natal, Brazil, Dec. 6.
 The two French ships who crossed South America in the record time of 11 hours 55 minutes recently, today took off at 7.30 a.m. for Dakar on the homeward flight.—Reuter.



White ermine-worked fur cape for evening wear.

FASHION'S Way with FUR..

- *Military Collars
- *New Soft Browns
- *Back Swing
- *Satin Linings

DURING the past month every fashion parade has had its quota of fur coats; coats cut on fine new lines with unusual collars, tailored shoulders and gracefully fitting swing backs. They were in varying lengths. Cute little monkey jackets with cut-away basques, three-quarter length swing-backs, and the new seven-eighths length with close-fitting line at the waist and hips. There were long ones, too, in every type of fur, ranging in price from a few pounds to several hundreds.

But, alas! Nature plays strange tricks with the fashion-mongers. She has sent us a month of lovely Indian summer weather, and the fur coats are left hanging on the rail.

Summer days, though, do not last for ever, and I felt it my job to go round and hear the latest fur happenings.

We've lost a month's trade," they told me in one great fur store. "We've got to catch up, so we are keeping the prices down, although pelts are everywhere dearer."

The three-quarter and long coats are the best "buy" for the future. Shaped on good straight lines, with an unusual collar—a Peter Pan is a favourite—with sleeves that are wide at the top and narrow from the elbow.

The linings are mainly satin, and soft browns are the favourite shades.

Now for the actual furs themselves. I will describe three or four I picked out at Swans and Wells, which will give you a basis of price guidance. For before buying a fur coat, make up your mind what amount you are able to spend and go for the best value.

To my mind a good marmot is much better than a poor mink. And if you can't afford squirrel, go for dyed flax musquash, which, by the way, attracted me quite a lot.

It is a lovely shade of brown, and is worked in narrow strips like squirrel, a very becoming fur.

I have seen it made up in the square-shouldered sweater style and Peter Pan collar, beautifully light but warm, for 12 guineas. Then a mink marmot swaggar can be purchased for the same price.

For really hard wear I know of nothing better than a natural western musquash, and was surprised to find a full-length coat in dark silky pelts for 21 guineas.

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Household Hints

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It is often difficult to make a paper pattern adhere to the material when you are cutting out. Place the paper pattern rough side down on the material to be cut, and press with a moderately hot iron. No pins will then be needed and the cloth will not wrinkle.

Cat and dog hairs on your clothes, cushions and chair-seats are most troublesome to remove by brushing. But they will all come out easily if you rub with a velvet pad. This removes every hair, yet they do not stick to the velvet.

Stains on glass flower-vases or water jugs can be removed by shaking a little vinegar and water in them.

To tie up parcels securely for the post, damp the string before using it. It will shrink as it dries and be much tighter than if used in the ordinary way.

Oranges are sometimes very hard to peel nicely. But if you soak them in boiling water for three or four minutes before peeling the white pith will come off easily, leaving the fruit perfectly clean and ready to slice.

Removing Tight Stoppers

Removing screw stoppers that have become stuck on bottles, often means hurt hands, and may even prove impossible. An easy way to tackle them is to hold them first under the hot and then the cold tap. Then grasp the stopper with a piece of sand-paper and unscrew. Once open, rub a little olive oil round the threads of the screw to prevent it sticking again.

You can easily prevent the jam from boiling out of a sweet pudding, by spreading a thin layer of bread-crumbs over the mixture before spreading on the jam.

Here is an easy way to cure a dripping tap. Turn it on to its fullest extent and place a few drops of lubricating oil round the base of the handle. Then turn it off slowly.

Stamps which have been placed on the wrong envelope can easily be removed if a piece of wet blotting paper the same size is placed on the spot for a few moments.

You will find it easier to get a nice, clean edge when cutting out georgette, chiffon, and similar materials if you place your scissors in hot water for a few seconds before using them.

L. H.

Banishing Mud Splashes

WHEN a cloth coat is spotted with mud, dissolve a teaspoonful of carbonate of soda in a cup of water and sponge the marks with this solution until they have disappeared.

Press the coat on the wrong side with a hot iron. Spots on the hem-line of oilskin and satin raincoats should be brushed off when quite dry and any remaining stains removed with soapy water.

Fine oatmeal, rubbed in with a clean rag, is excellent for removing mudstains from suede shoes. Brush out with a wire brush. The best treatment for place kid shoes is a gentle sponging followed, when they are dry, by the usual polishing.

Mud stains on umbrellas which will not yield to brushing should be removed with a rub of methylated spirits.

M. B.

PARIS FASHIONS

SLEEVE-TOPS are changing, many are gathered slightly into an "egg" which is curiously placed at a low shoulder-line, but so gathered that a wide chest and shoulder effect is obtained.

The predicted long, tight "mitten" sleeve, which buttons the length of the wrist, is back once more, and the sleeves, which are hand-shirred, all over, are being seen a good deal.

There are a good many tight elbow ones, but nothing fussy, and belts waver between width and a narrowness so excessive that it suggests a shoe-string.

Some of the hats seen in Paris are more than a foot high and looked quite attractive on the mannequins who wore them.

The inverted collar turned up and flat and forming part of the neckline on the newest suits and coats, threatens to become a popular note. Of course, it is not really as casual as it looks, for it is cut and fitted.

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When you have settled in, do remember that each room in that converted house or block of flats is a self-contained home and ought to have all the privacy of a house with a garden and a sturdy front-door.

Do not develop the friendly but trying habit of popping in and out of your neighbour's room and allowing her the same freedom in yours.

If you make your own breakfast before going to business in the morning, be sure to rise in ample time to cook a proper meal. Hurried cups of tea swallowed while you are dressing, burnt toast eaten as you are dashing out of the door, they'll only result in indigestion and bad temper.

Make your bed and tidy your room before you go out in the morning, even if it means getting up half-an-hour earlier. There is nothing more disheartening after a day's work than coming home to an untidy room.

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Besides, you never know when you may meet on the way home and invite to call.

Don't develop the Old Maid habit of eating scrap meals with no food value and the minimum of cooking effort. Take an interest in food and your general health will reward you.

Pay all your bills, rent, gas, milk, and so on, regularly, and budget for food, clothes and entertaining on what is left. Keep an odd shilling or two in a secret cache against a rainy day, and you'll never need to worry.

Don't give too many parties, don't be noisy after ten o'clock, and don't do anything that might worry a nervous neighbour. Go easy on your radio late at night, and don't be too loud in the bathroom.

A. B. G.

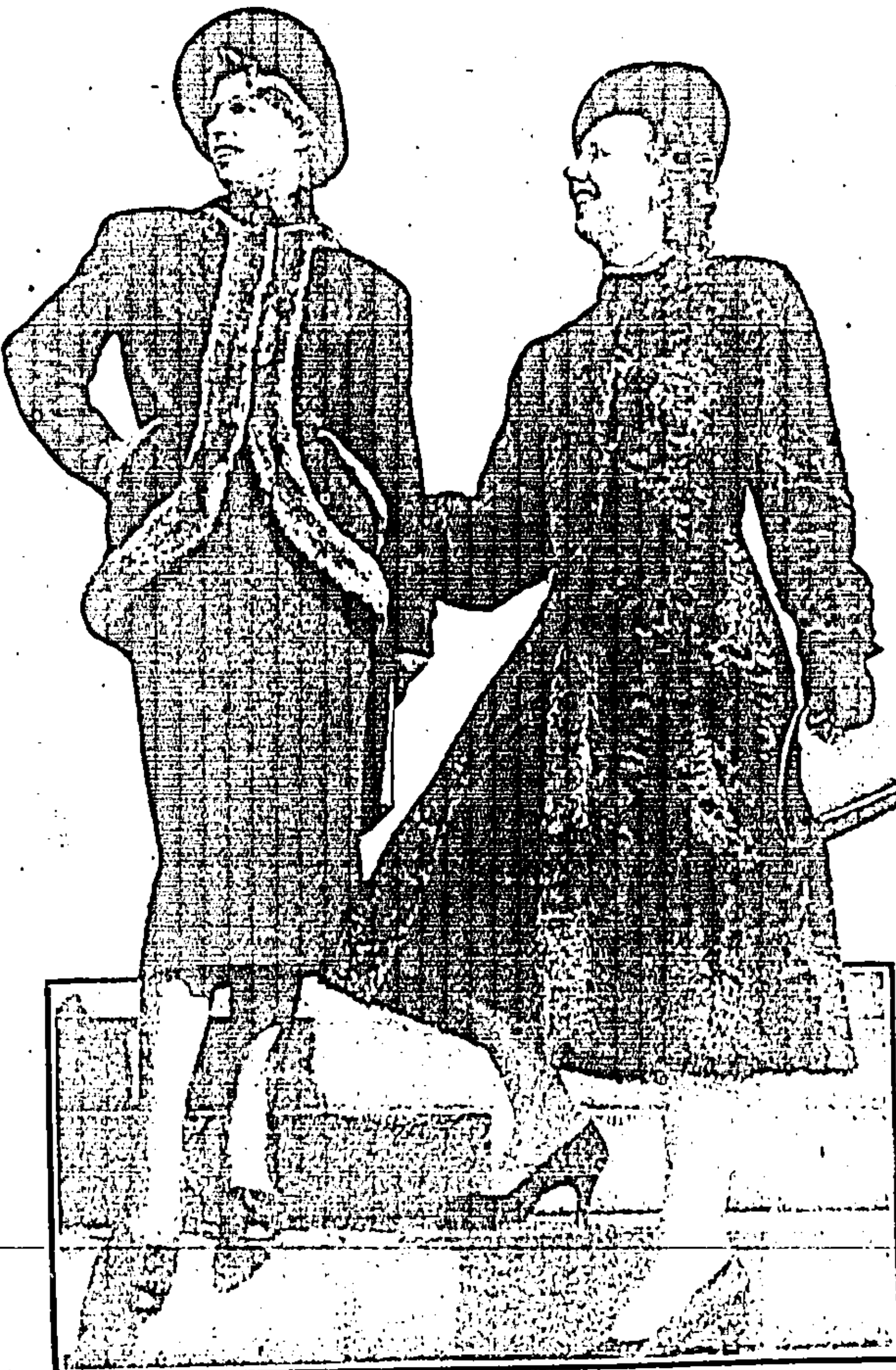


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Flavouring the Cake

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Ingredients: 1lb. self-raising flour, a pinch of salt, 1lb. margarine, 1lb. sugar, 3 eggs, two tablespoonfuls of milk, 1oz. grated chocolate.

Beat the margarine to a cream with a wooden spoon, then add the sugar and grated chocolate. Add the eggs very gradually, also the milk and a few drops of vanilla essence. Mix with the flour, beating well. Pour into a baking tin and bake for 2 1/2 hours in a moderate oven. Recipe 4.

Almond Mixture

The nutty flavour of these makes them popular.
Ingredients: 3oz. ground almonds, 3oz. caster sugar, the whites of two eggs, a few drops of almond essence. Beat the whites of the eggs until frothy, add the ground almonds and sugar, and the essence, then mix to a soft paste. Fill a forcing bag with the mixture, and pipe it on to rings of rice paper. Brush over with white of egg and bake in a moderate oven until lightly browned.

Sugar and Spice

Most expensive mixture, but much appreciated by the family.
Ingredients: 1lb. self-raising flour, a pinch of salt, 12oz. sugar, 6oz. margarine, the whites of three large eggs. A pinch of cinnamon, nutmeg and spice. 3oz. finely-chopped figs, 2oz. finely-chopped dates, 1oz. chopped glace cherries, and a dessertspoonful of treacle. A little milk.

Sieve the flour and salt and add the chopped fruit and spices. Beat the margarine well to a cream, add the sugar, and continue to beat for several minutes. Add the dry ingredients, the treacle and the milk. Fold in the figs, dates and cherries. Pour into a greased tin and bake in a moderate oven for an hour.



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Leningrad Library Grows

Leningrad. Nine million publications are kept in the Salykov-Shehedin State Public Library in Leningrad. In the first half of 1937 alone the library received about 141,000 publications.

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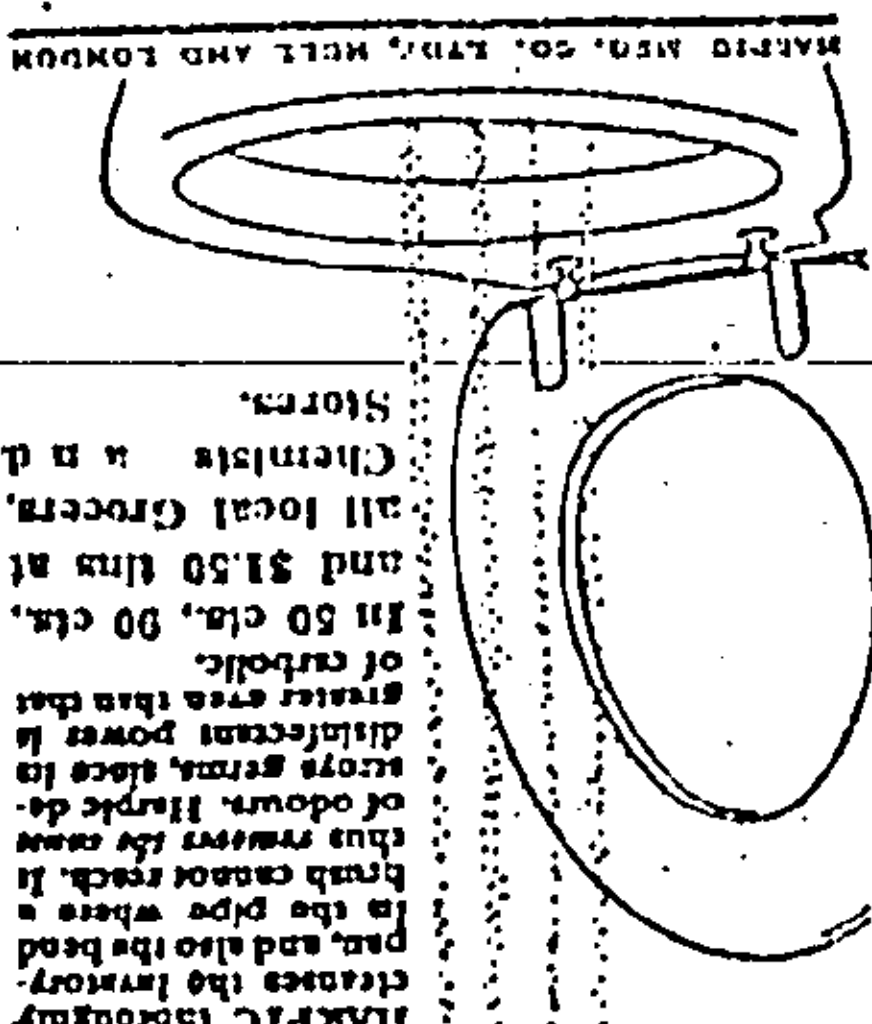
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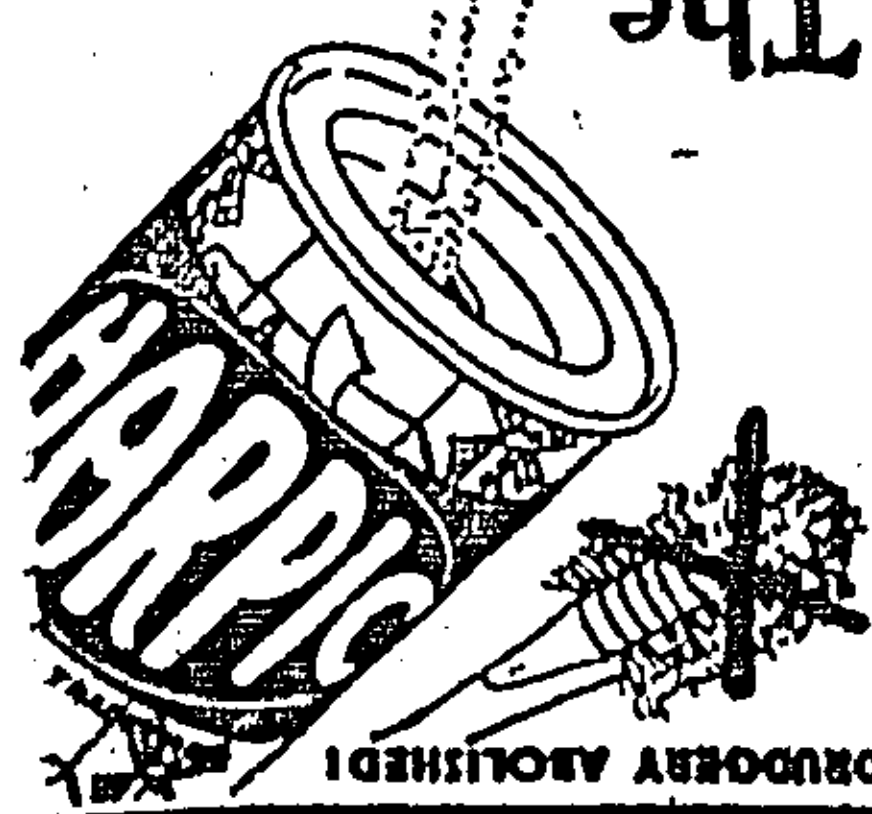
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Exposed By M. P.: 3 Dismissals

Mr. Tom Groves, M.P. for Stratford, E., revealed recently the story behind the dismissal of three Wandsworth Jail officers for assaults on two prisoners.

Announcement of the dismissals, and of the fact that a fourth officer had resigned, had been made earlier by Sir Samuel Hoare, the Home Secretary.

Mr. Groves said: "A young man just released from Wandsworth told me that prison officers had assaulted two prisoners who had been brought back by the police after escaping from the jail."

"He said he had seen the two men—they were both under thirty—in the prison chapel the previous day, and they had black eyes and wounds on top of their heads."

"I went to the Home Office at once and put the case in the hands of the Chief Prison Commissioner."

"Later I was given the explanation that the men's wounds were caused when they dropped over a 12ft. wall in making their escape."

REFUSED TO SIGN

"The Home Office officials were evidently convinced about it, and I was going to leave it at that. Then my ex-prisoner friend called on me again."

"When I told him he said 'You are being deceived, Tom. Your leg is being pulled.'"

"I asked him to write a statement and sign it, but he would not do that. He said he had been in Wandsworth three times, and feared what might happen if he went there again."

"However, he agreed to write down the names of the officers who it was alleged committed the assaults and the names of prisoners who saw the assaults."

"I went to the Home Office armed with this fresh information. The result was Sir Samuel Hoare's announcement to-day."

The prisoners who were attacked were named Poskin and Clark. They were serving terms of eighteen months for housebreaking.

They escaped from Wandsworth early in September, but were at liberty for only half an hour.

The alleged attack occurred after they had been placed in the punishment cells.

'NO PROVOCATION'

Full inquiry was made by the Prison Commissioners. I regret to say that the result is to leave no doubt that the two prisoners were, without any sort of provocation, assaulted by prison officers in their cells and received certain injuries, fortunately not of a serious character."

The Prison Commissioners and I are determined that there shall be no possibility of so regrettable an incident being repeated.

There is no reason to think that there has been any other case of the kind in recent years.

When Sir Samuel was asked whether the jail officers were to be prosecuted, he replied: "I think that, on the whole, dismissal is a far more serious penalty than prosecution."

LANDLORDS RAISE RENT 139 p.c.

Birmingham. Exploitation of working-class property and the creation of glaring injustices to the lower-paid wage earners will be considered by Birmingham City Council shortly.

It follows an inquiry into the extent to which extortionate rents are being demanded for decontrolled Class C houses—those of which the rateable value does not exceed £13.

More than half the houses in Birmingham come in this category, and the inquiry showed that when they have become decontrolled landlords have increased rents more than 100 per cent. In one street they were raised 139 per cent.

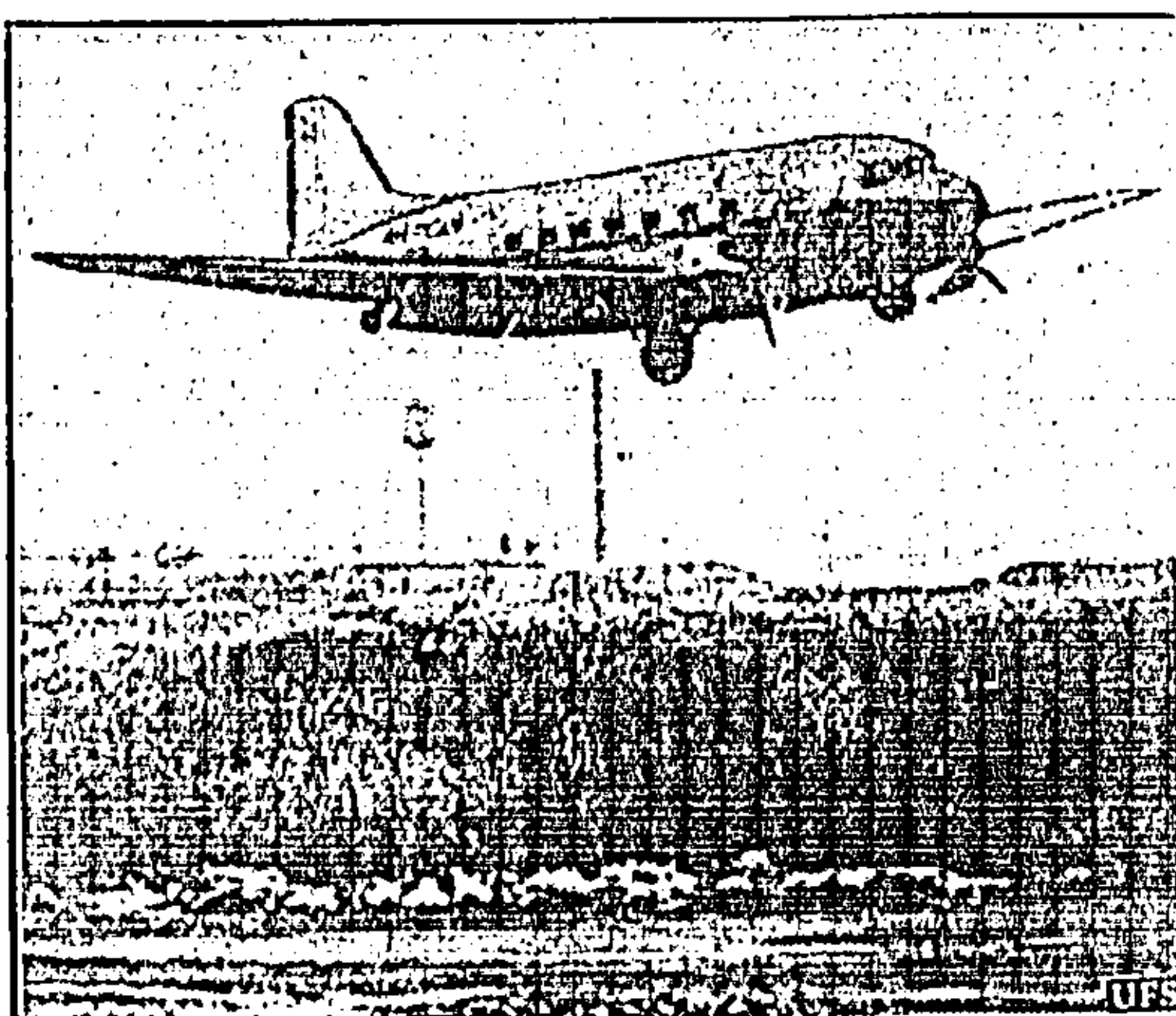
It urges amendment of the Act so that owners of decontrolled property may be prevented from, or penalised for, demanding rents from working-class tenants out of all proportion to the value of the houses.

Read Plato, Savant Advises

Berkeley, Cal. Dr. F. P. Woellner of the University of California has a remedy for poor lawmaking in the United States. He suggests that Washington lawmakers read Plato and Aristotle for awhile.

Cherry Tree Goes On Spruce

Butler, Pa. S. C. Crawford's cherry tree went on its biennial spruce this fall. It repeated a performance of 1935, when it blossomed in October after bearing fruit in the spring.



About to land his transport plane at Newark, N.J., Pilot Byron C. Moore discovered his landing gear was stuck. For 15 minutes he circled the port with 13 passengers while ambulances and fire apparatus gathered below. "The wheel partly in place and the other only slightly so," as above, he nosed down, skidded and came to rest—safe!

LOVE DRAMA IS FORBIDDEN TOPIC

Hull, Nov. 8.

Students of Hull University College have been forbidden to mention the death of their thirty-year-old physics lecturer, Ronald Curry, who for two years, had wanted Ada Muriel Pilgrim, his twenty-year-old pupil, to marry him.

Curry was found dead in his car in a lonely lane near Hull. With glass and rubber equipment from his university laboratory he had arranged a tube leading from the exhaust through a window of the car. Then he had left the engine running.

In the two years that Miss Pilgrim had attended university lectures, Curry had repeatedly asked her to become engaged to him. Her reply was that she did not love him; that, at present, her career came before marriage.

Miss Pilgrim's aunt Miss Willon, a Goole schoolmistress, said to-night: "My niece could not return Mr. Curry's affections at all. She did not want to have anything to do with him."

On Sunday he telephoned Miss Pilgrim at the girl students' hostel, said "Goodbye, I am going to do what I told you."

Miss Pilgrim, alarmed, informed university authorities. Efforts were made to find Curry. But he had already begun his last car drive.

Miss Pilgrim will give evidence to-morrow at the inquest on Curry at Beverley.

THE MAN WHO FELL INTO A TUBE

James Thomas, sixty-nine years old, stepped off a Newmarket race train at Liverpool-street Station recently, walked across No. 10 platform towards a cab, stumbled over a railing—and disappeared head first into a hole.

His wife screamed and fainted. Porters rushed up.

Meanwhile Mr. Thomas was spiralling at express speed down a 20ft. long steel-lined letter chute to the Post Office tube station underneath Liverpool-street.

Ten seconds later, breathless, his bowler hat bounding before him, he shot on a revolving band. Postal workers were dumfounded by the sudden arrival of the white-haired man.

They stopped the machinery, helped Mr. Thomas to his feet. He had a few cuts on one of his hands, and was feeling a little shaken, but that was all.

They took him to a lift and brought him up into Liverpool-street Station again. His wife welcomed "Squibs," as she calls him, as a man from the grave. Hundreds of people cheered wildly as he stumbled into her embrace.

He was taken to hospital, but went on later to his home in Uxbridge-road.

In bed he said: "I went round and round in the dark, then it got light again, and that's about all I know."

The Post Office tube at Liverpool-street connects with the sorting headquarters at Mount Pleasant and with Paddington station. Only mails are carried on the small trains.

Egrets Seen in Ohio

Norwalk, O. Large white birds seen wading in flooded fields near here were identified as American egrets. The egret is a semi-tropical bird.

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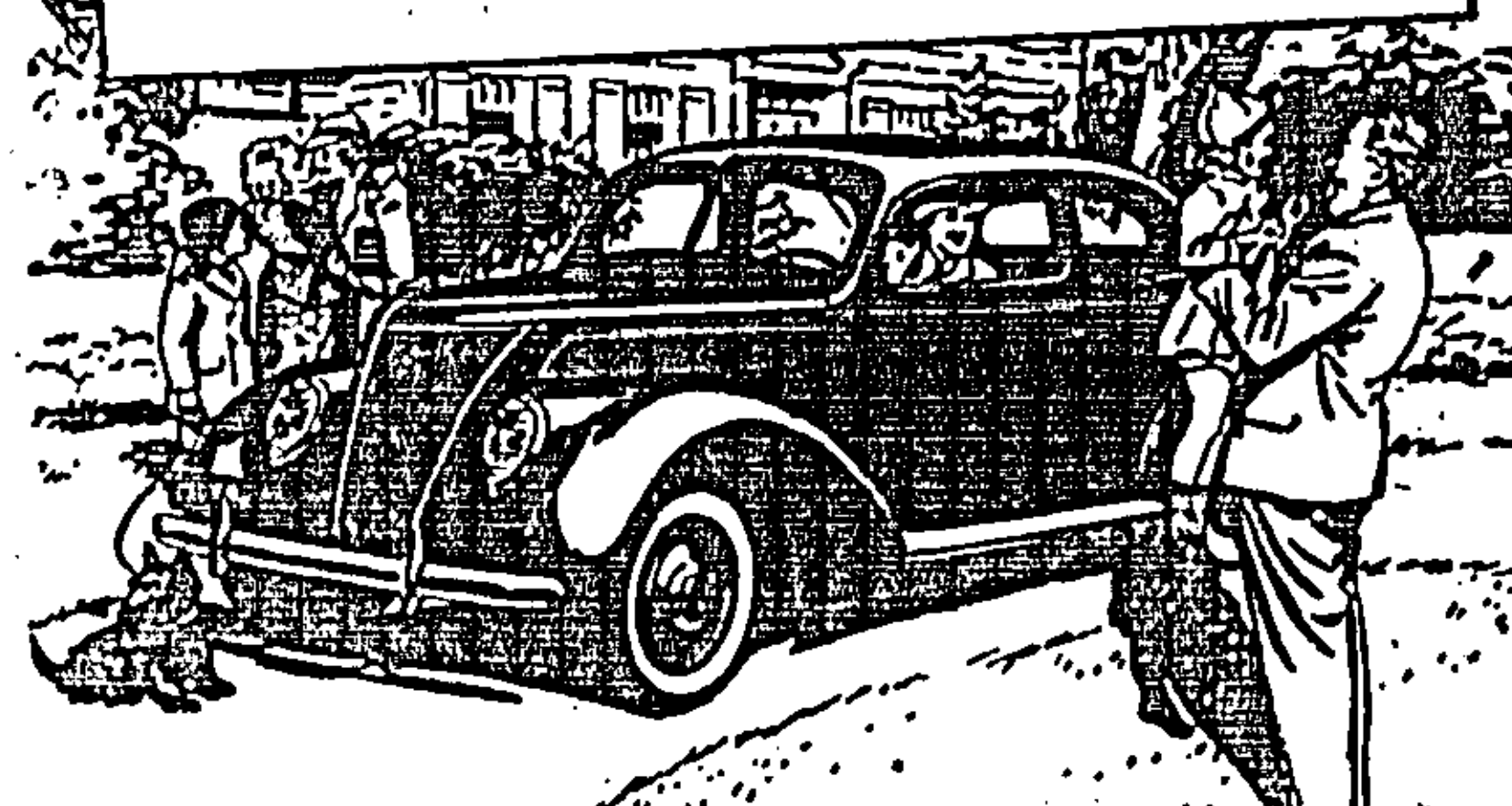
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J. T. BAGRAM.

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1937.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

SWAN, CULBERTSON & FRITZ LATEST REPORTS

New York, Dec. 6.
S. C. & F. Dow Jones Summary of yesterday's markets:

The market to-day reflected the 7.1% decline in the Nation's steel operations, which is the 12th consecutive drop in steel production. The break in the price of London silver was a feature of the commodity markets. There is some hope in the fact that steel inventories are being sharply whittled shortly, thus necessitating new buying; hence, only moderate pressure of profit-taking is noted in most sections.

Curb stocks are irregularly lower and quiet. Bonds, including United States Government issues, are irregular.

S. C. & F. New York correspondent cables:

Stocks: Various issues were in moderate supply after a mid-day announcement of a further decline in steel operations to 27.5% of capacity. The undernote of the market was firm and we expect an early resumption of the rally. The Times business index was 85.7, as against 88.8 the revised index for last week and 100.3 for the corresponding week of last year.

Cotton: The market to-day was quiet and some minor liquidation was absorbed by the Trade. Out of 8 leading brokers, 6 are bullish and 2 are bearish.

Wheat: A private estimate places the Argentine crop at 180,000,000 bushels, which includes only 65,000,000 bushels for export and this is construed as an indication of larger United States exports. Premiums on near positions are discouraging short-selling. There has been a visible decrease in supplies of 5,530,000 bushels. Out of 8 leading brokers, 7 are bullish and 1 is bearish.

Corn: There has been a good cash demand. Offerings are light and at high prices. A fair amount of export contributed to the sound basis of the market. There has been a visible increase in supplies of 2,580,000 bushels. Out of 5 leading brokers, 4 are bullish and 1 is bearish.

Rubber: The market is largely dependent upon indications of some increase in rubber consumption by the United States. Trading to-day was on the quiet side.

Hides: It is rumoured that there will be a large increase in factory operations from a 3 to a 5-day week. There were buyers of spot cargo at the last prices.

Sugar: The market is stagnant, but prices are steady. Wall Street Journal morning comment:

The Street believes that stocks are a better purchase than sale, but many quarters advocate a strictly trading position, as far as marginal operations are concerned. Some say that the Street is creating a strong market psychology, based on expected railroad rate increases.

Steel and copper issues were in demand from abroad.

There is some bearishness with regard to motor stocks, particularly Chrysler shares.

The Street is worrying with regard to the new taxes to replace those that are at present law. The Street is apathetic regarding the steel production decline.

Dow Jones Averages Dec. 5
30 Industrials 127.79 126.21
20 Rails 32.02 31.91
20 Utilities 22.41 22.28
40 Bonds 93.44 93.43
11 Commodity Index 53.06 53.07

The Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children will hold its annual meeting at the Helena May Institute on Monday, December 13, at 5.30 p.m. His Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote attending.

COLONY LEARNS TO FIGHT GAS IF WAR COMES

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from a ship outside. That is rather a two-edged weapon because the wind might change and the ship might get it back.

Thirdly, gas bombs dropped from the air. That is the most obvious attack, dropping a big can of gas which splashes on the road, walls and people and gives off a vapour. You have then got to clear up the mess, rope it off and re-organise the traffic.

There is one other method from the air—spraying from a great height. You might not even see the aeroplane that was spraying. For that reason, if any of you were unlucky enough to be caught in the open when an air raid alarm goes, do not look up at the aeroplane as 90 per cent of you will. If you do, you stand a chance of getting mustard gas in the eye which means you would not have the sight of that eye much longer.

RESPIRATOR PROTECTION
The protection against all these gases is a respirator. Some countries have gone in for collective protection in which they have these big shelters where there is oxygen, etc., but making rooms gas-proof is very fine until a high explosive bomb drops near and breaks a window or something. So in this country we use individual protection which is the respirator you see here. There are three types of them and they are one hundred per cent protection against any known war gas.

The first type is the Service type. There is a rubber mask which makes a gas-tight ring on your face and the only way you can breathe is through the hole devised in front. Inside is charcoal and other material which absorb the poison of the atmosphere so that by the time it reaches you, you are breathing pure air.

The second type is the civilian respirator which is exactly the same but the filter is fastened on the back. These are for the essential services, fighting, fire brigade, ambulance workers etc., and will be given to the more secondary services.

Finally there is the civilian type known as the "Woolworth" type and is very cheap but they are trying to get it cheaper. It is for the women and children sitting in their rooms quietly and not doing much work. You will see it is flimsy and tapers for the children. They are one hundred per cent protection and

I wore one myself for an hour and a half in tear gas in perfect comfort. We hope later on to get these in the Colony for a sale price of \$3 but we have not got them yet.

GOVERNMENT MEASURES
You have now protected your eyes, face and lungs against these blistering gases and have got people clearing up the mess who have got to be protected too. They will have to wear protective clothing which is an oil skin suit tied up with string so that no air can get in. It is most uncomfortable to work in us, perhaps some of you who will be in charge of decontamination squads, will realise. Probably you will work a quarter of an hour in each shift as you will learn at a later lecture.

I have now told you all the horrors that might happen to you and I will now tell you what the Hongkong Government intends to do to help you out. \$50,000 is provided in the draft estimates for 1938, under head 27 Defence, D. Air Raids Precautions. This amount was included in the draft estimates before detailed recommendation as to a programme of preparatory measures was available, and was intended only as a preliminary amount. Since the cost of the programme of preparatory measures is roughly estimated at \$1,500,000, and it is hoped to complete it within a short period of years, it is probable that the amount which will actually be spent next year will be considerably greater than the figure in the draft estimates.

FREE ISSUE OF MASKS
The Air Raids Precautions Sub-Committee consists of Naval, Army and Hongkong Government representatives and one non-official member. It is responsible for the provision of splinter proof shelters, gas masks, protective clothing for decontamination squads, decontamination centres, decontamination materials, alarm signals, air raid warden and public instructions.

The Medical Sub-Committee is responsible for the provision of medical materials and instruction of doctors and ambulance workers in treatment of gas casualties. On outbreak of hostilities will also take over from the A.R.P. Sub-Committee the decontamination and first aid centres.

There will be a free issue of respirators on the outbreak of hostilities to essential service workers (i.e. Police, Fire Brigade, Ambulance, air raid warden, dockyard and essential transport workers, and public utility workers) and their families, at the Colonial Government's expense. The

total number to be thus provided is roughly estimated at 70,000.

For the protection of the public we have the Woolworth mask, which may be obtained for \$3, or less. As far as the proofing of the necessary Government buildings and shelters are concerned, this will take place in due course.

Steps are being taken to recruit a full time Air Raid Precaution Officer for the Colony and he will be here early next year. There will be further detailed courses later, and we hope that those of you we have made sufficiently air-minded will come along and take specialised courses.

THE BLACK-OUT
Now a few words about the "black-out" next Thursday. It is essential that to start with you should make yourselves acquainted with the Ordinance about the lights which you can obtain from the Government Gazette, or by reading a copy of the South China Morning Post of December 3. The whole reason of this black-out, which is between 8 p.m. and 10 p.m., is to make people realise what they have to do. In the event of hostilities, you would be doing that every night with no lights being shown at all. Again it is a passive measure which must be rehearsed in peace time. Last time it was practised, it was while most people were in bed and not many took any notice. This time, with malice aforethought, it has been timed between 8 p.m. and 10 p.m., when there is most transport on the road, people going to and from the pictures, with most people awake and with their lights on.

You are most likely, I suggest, to overlook lights on landings, garage doors and servants' quarters. Motor cars will have only side lights, buses and trams will run as usual, but they will run more slowly. The alarm signals will probably be tested, but that is nothing to you as it is only the black-out which you are concerned with.

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Would you after this be good enough, those of you attending these lectures as representatives of firms and holding admission cards, and those representing firms who have no admission cards, and also you who are attending for your own sakes, please sign your names and addresses of your firms and send them to the Extra Assistant Colonial Secretary.

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Ordinary 8.00 a.m., Dec. 11.
This mail is due to arrive at London on December 20, 1937.

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Christmas and New Year cards bearing not more than five written words and enclosed in open envelopes are accepted by the Post Office at the rate for printed matter, i.e. 5 cents per 2 ounces for all countries. Hongkong, China and Macao at 2 cents per 2 ounces. Envelopes must not be closed.

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Letters for this Service may be posted in the ordinary posting boxes at Kowloon Post Office and General Post Office. They should be clearly marked "By Air Mail" and bear sufficient postage. Insufficiently prepaid letters may be taxed with double the deficiency or forwarded by Steamer Service, at the discretion of the Post Office.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
Saigon	Chengtu	December 7.
Shanghai	Chengtu	December 7.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London, date, 27th November.	Imperial Airways Plane	December 7.
Shanghai and Swatow	Kiangyuan	December 7.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Hoihow	Kiangyuan	December 7.
Calcutta and Straits	Kiangyuan	December 7.
Calcutta and Straits	Talma	December 7.
Haiphong	Canton	December 7.
Manila	Emp. of Asia	December 8.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 1st December.	P.A. Airways Plane	December 8.
Japan	Rajputana	December 8.
Kobe	Nanning	December 8.
Bangkok and Swatow	Kwelying	December 9.
Straits and Europe via Suva (Letters and papers) — London, 11th November and London parcels—London date—4th November.	Rajputana	December 9.
Manila	Scharnhorst	December 9.
Java and Manila	Tinegara	December 9.
Saigon	Athos II	December 10.
Australia and Manila (Letters and parcels) — London, 20th November)	Change	December 10.
U.S.A., Canada, and Japan (Seattle, 20th November)	Pres. McKinley	December 10.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time.
Tuesday		
Swatow	Anhui	Tues., Dec. 7, 12.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Service"—due Buenos Aires Maru	Buenos Aires Maru	Tues., Dec. 7, 12.30 p.m.
Amsterdam, 16th December.	G.P.O. & K.P.O.	Reg., Dec. 7, 1.30 p.m.
	Ord.,	Dec. 7, 2.00 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and Buenos Aires Maru	Buenos Aires Maru	Tues., Dec. 7, 2.30 p.m.
South Africa	Pres. Polk	Tues., Dec. 7, 5 p.m.
Manila		
Wednesday		
Samshui and Wuchow	Kong Ning	Wed., Dec. 8, 8.15 a.m.
Kobe	Fook On	Wed., Dec. 8, 9.00 a.m.
Air Mail for North China and Nanking (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (To further points by surface transport at Services permit).	Eurasia Plane	Thurs., Dec. 8, 9.00 a.m.
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Reg., Dec. 8, 9 a.m.
	Ord.,	Dec. 8, 9.30 a.m.
Madang, Salamaua, Tulagi and Rabaul	Friderun	Wed., Dec. 8, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow and Shanghai	Yunnan	Wed., Dec. 8, 10.30 a.m.
Japan	Kiangyuan	Wed., Dec. 8, 5 p.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Sinkiang	Wed., Dec. 8, 11 a.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A. by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 14th December.	Pan-American Airways Plane	Wed., Dec. 8, 11 a.m.
	K.P.O.	Reg., Dec. 8, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	Dec. 8, 5 p.m.
	G.P.O.	Reg., Dec. 8, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	Thurs., Dec. 9, 6 a.m.
Thursday		
Formosa	Hongkong Maru	Thurs., Dec. 9, 10.30 a.m.
Manila	Benwyvis	Thurs., Dec. 9, 12.30 p.m.
Hoihow	Mutnam	Thurs., Dec. 9, 9 a.m.
Kongmoon and (Pakhoi via Kongmoon)	Tai Lee	Thurs., Dec. 9, 11.00 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Hosang	Thurs., Dec. 9, 4 p.m.
	Parcels,	Dec. 9, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	Dec. 9, 5 p.m.
Friday		
Japan	Rajputana	Fri., Dec. 10, 10.30 a.m.
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America, and Europe via Vancouver, B.C. (Parcels for Canada only)—due Vancouver B.C. 27th December, and Europe via Siberia.	Emp. of Asia	Fri., Dec. 10, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Athos II	Fri., Dec. 10, 1.30 p.m.
Haiphong	Canton	Fri., Dec. 10, 2 p.m.
Swatow	Takung	Fri., Dec. 10, 2.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 20th December.	Imperial Airways Plane	Fri., Dec. 10, 2.30 p.m.
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Reg., Dec. 10, 3 p.m.
	Ord.,	Dec. 11, 8 a.m.
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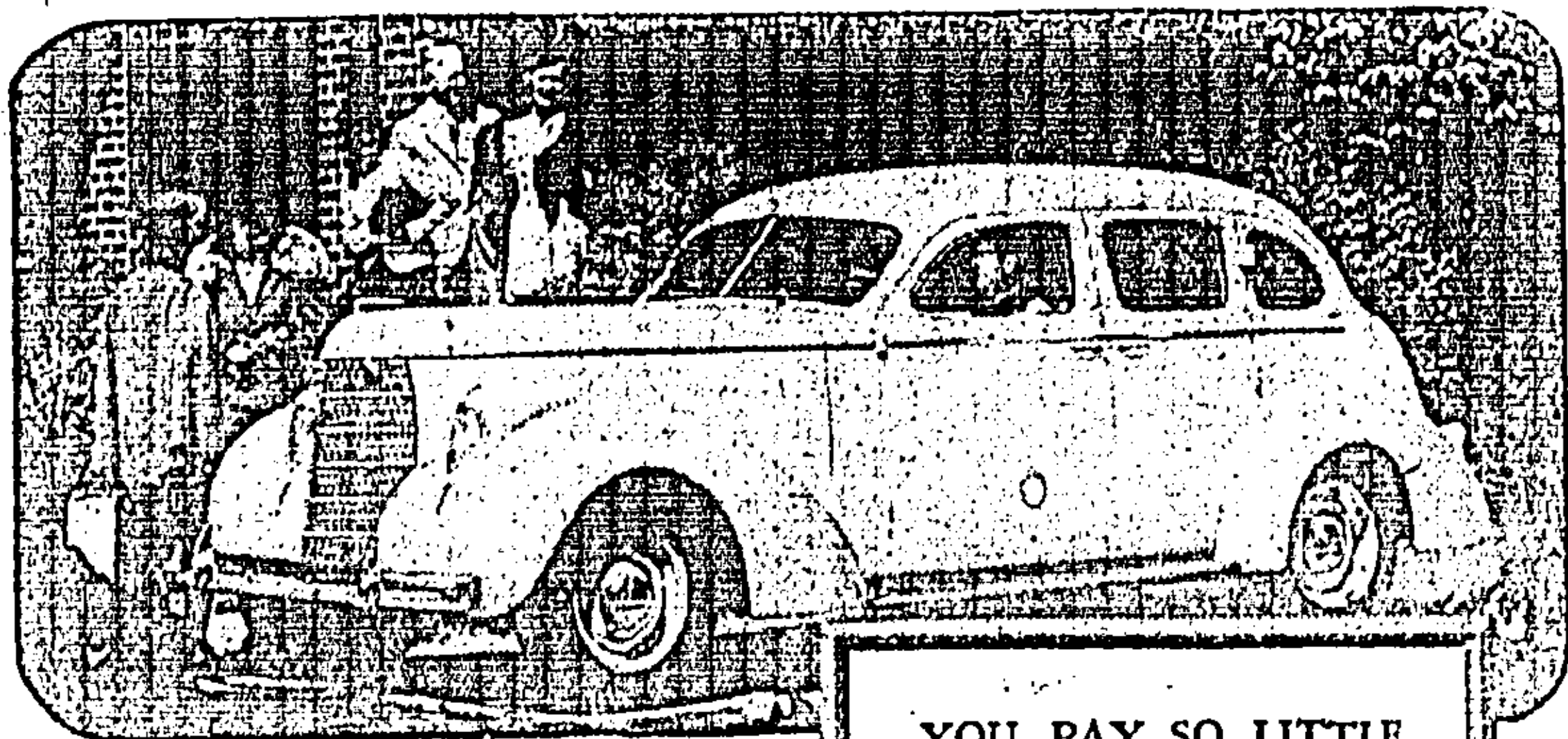
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Canton, Dec. 6. Several bombs were dropped north of the city, possibly in the vicinity of the air-field, shortly before 1 o'clock today when Japanese planes visited Canton.

Anti-aircraft guns were heard in Shamoen, and Chinese sources declare they saw five planes flying over the city.

Three Japanese aeroplanes dropped four bombs on the Kowloon-Canton Railway during a raid early this morning causing slight damage to the line in the neighbourhood of the Cheungmuktau station, and repairs were completed shortly afterwards. Five Japanese aeroplanes participated in the second raid at this time today. There were three single-engine machines and two machines with double floats.

They were seen by a foreigner flying over the countryside, north of Canton, where they were greeted by anti-aircraft gunfire. He saw one shell explode almost on the tail of one of the planes, which compelled it to leave formation for several minutes.

The planes which visited Canton this afternoon dropped five bombs at a distance of 110 kilometres along the Kowloon-Canton Railway, causing very slight damage. It is believed that these planes flew over the Canton-Hankow Railway also, but this cannot be confirmed. —*Reuter*.

STATIONS DAMAGED

Canton, Dec. 6. Damage was done to Tsimshui and Pingwu stations on the Canton-Kowloon railway and Yingtak station on the Canton-Hankow railway during two raids by Japanese planes today.

At 7.45 a.m. three Japanese planes were sighted coming from the direction of Chung Shan. After passing over the Hoken Tientsin Forts and Whampoa Harbour, they flew along the Canton-Kowloon railway. At 9.25 they reached Tsimshui station where they released seven bombs, destroying sections of rails and some telegraph wires and poles. Afterwards they flew off to sea.

At 12.25 p.m. five other Japanese planes also came from the direction of Chung Shan. A few moments later they appeared over the northern-eastern part of the city. Chinese anti-aircraft guns fired furiously at them.

After circling over that part of the city, they departed along the Canton-Hankow railway. At 1.26 p.m. they reached Yingtak where they released three bombs, slightly damaging the track and some telegraph wires and poles.

From Yingtak they returned to Canton and dropped two bombs in the northern suburbs which landed on the open fields.

Meanwhile, two other Japanese planes appeared over Shamshun. Flying along the Canton-Kowloon railway, they later reached Pingwu station where they dropped five missiles. Considerable damage was done to the track. —*Central News*.

U.S. COMMODITY
PRICESLATEST CABLED
QUOTATIONS

New York, Dec. 6. The following quotations on the New York commodity exchange, are issued by *Reuter*:

New York Cotton		
	Opening	Closing
Dec.	7.84/82	7.87/87
Jan.	7.83/83	7.83/83
March	7.90/89	7.93/93
May	7.93/92	7.99/98
July	7.97/97	8.01/01
Oct.	8.00/00	8.07/07
Spot		8.03

The First Notice Day for January Cotton is Dec. 27 and the Delivery Date Jan. 3.

New York Rubber		
Dec.	15.70b/85a	15.55/57
March	15.00/09	15.65/70
July	16.03/03	15.70 N
Sept.	16.10/10	15.89 N

Sales for the day—1,810 tons.

The last Notice Day for December Rubber is Dec. 20.

Chicago Wheat		
Dec.	93 3/4/93 1/2	94/94 1/4
May	96 3/4/97	97 1/4/97 3/4

Saturday's Sales—14,004,000 bushels.

Chicago Corn		
Dec.	54 3/4/54 3/4	54 3/4/54 3/4
May	57 1/4/57 1/4	57 1/4/57 1/4
July	58 3/4/58 3/4	58 3/4/58 3/4

The last Notice Day for December Grains is Dec. 30.

Winnipeg Wheat		
Dec.	110 1/2/110 1/2	110 1/2/110 1/2
May	115 1/2/115 1/2	116 1/2/116 1/2
July	111 3/4/112	111 3/4/112

The last Notice Day for December Winnipeg Wheat is Dec. 31.

EXCHANGE

Selling	
T.T. London	1s. 2 1/2
Demand	1s. 2 1/2
T.T. Shanghai	104 1/4
T.T. Singapore	52 3/4
T.T. Japan	100 1/4
T.T. India	82
T.T. U.S.A.	0 1/2
T.T. Manila	0 1/2
T.T. Batavia	65 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	140 1/2
T.T. Saigon	90 3/4
T.T. France	0.10
T.T. Germany	70 1/2
T.T. Switzerland	133 1/4
T.T. Australia	1/0 1/2

Buying	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/P do.	1/3 3/32
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	31 1/4
4 m/s France	0.70
30 d/s India	83 1/4
U.S. Cross rate in London	6.00 3/4

RADIO BROADCAST

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10 a.m. Big Ben. "Music in African Life."
10.15 a.m. The Enfield Central Band.
11.15 a.m. The News and Announcements.
Greenwich Time Signal at 11.15 a.m.
11.30 a.m. "The Microphone at Large."
4.15 p.m. Big Ben. Music Hall.
4.35 p.m. Short Piano-forte Recital.
5.25 p.m. Gladys Young in "The Lady's Maid."
5.35 p.m. The News and Announcements.
Greenwich Time Signal at 5.45 p.m.
6.55 p.m. Recital of Traditional Welsh Songs. Delys Wynne-Jones (Contralto).
6.10 p.m. "Empire Exchange."
6.45 p.m. Big Ben. Tom Jenkins, at the Organ of the Plaza Cinema, Swansea.
7.15 p.m. "Entertainment at St. George's—1907-1937."
8.15 p.m. "Wheels." A feature programme by Jonny Antony. Production by Pascoe Thornton.
8.45 p.m. Organ Recital by George Altham, from the College of Technology, Manchester.
9.15 p.m. Stars of Variety.
9.30 p.m. The News and Announcements.
Greenwich Time Signal at 9.45 p.m.
10.15 p.m. Big Ben. The BBC West-of-England Singers.
10.30 p.m. "Intermission." A programme of novelty numbers and solo pieces.
10.45 p.m. Oxford v. Cambridge: A running commentary by H. B. T. Wakelam on the Inter-University Rugby Union football match. From Twickenham.
11.45 p.m. Sir Harry Lauder (Songs).
12 a.m. The News and Announcements.
Greenwich Time Signal at 12.15 a.m.
12.20 a.m. "Keyboard Music through the Ages"—10: Modern French Composers. Dorothy Manley (Piano-forte).
12.45 a.m. "World Affairs." A talk by the Right Hon. Sir Malcolm Robertson, C.M.G., K.B.E.
1.20 a.m. "This is England" (Second Series).
1.35 a.m. The Karl Cayley Players. With Herbert Thorpe.
2 a.m. Big Ben. The News and Announcements.
Greenwich Time Signal at 2.15 a.m.
2.25 a.m. The BBC Northern Ireland Orchestra: leader, Philip Whetway.
3.35 a.m. "World Affairs." A talk by the Right Hon. Sir Malcolm Robertson, C.M.G., K.B.E.
3.45 a.m. Oxford v. Cambridge.
4 a.m. "Chalk It Up." A musical hot-pot.

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DISTASTEFUL COMPLAINT

People who occasionally like to experiment at Chinese restaurants with the delicacies of an unusual cuisine have been embarrassed of late by groups of rowdy young men who, though usually friendly, are at times inclined to be quarrelsome and thoughtless, to say the least, of language used. An instance has been called to the attention of this newspaper by an American gentleman visiting here who complains somewhat bitterly of treatment received at the hands of some of these young men of the more boisterous element. They were undeniably Europeans, the persons of which this visitor complains, and there was good reason to believe that they were men from some battalion stationed here out for "a time" in mufti. No-one begrudges a soldier, sailor or civilian his moments of relaxation, and it is certainly not the intention to quarrel with the quite pardonable desire for a few pints with congenial company. But young men must learn that conviviality is often a prelude to conspicuous conduct and that when one's garb and bearing mark one as a member of His Majesty's forces it is as well to be cautious. Certainly there can be no excuse for insulting behaviour towards strangers; and even less chance can there be for pardon when the insult is followed by violence. Such a subject as this is obviously one of some delicacy, for there is no wish to direct criticisms where they are not merited. And there are really very few offences, so far as can be ascertained. It is therefore the purpose on this occasion to appeal to the more restrained and level-headed element to adopt an attitude towards unruly comrades which will discourage discourtesy to the general public and at the same time prevent aspersions being cast upon the good name of the services in general.

In this connection it is perhaps amusing to recall an incident which occurred in Shanghai during a period of unrest when a British soldier, in full uniform save for the lack of a cap, was making merry in a cafe with some friendly ratings from one of His Majesty's ships. At the height of the festivities a pair of lusty Military Police entered and beckoned the capless soldier to the door. A hush fell on the gathering and with it came a certain tension, and the capless one was heard to remark that the despised M.P.'s had come to take him back to "clink." One of the heartiest of the sailors

William Forrest

Describes The

LINE-UP For The SECOND WINTER OF WAR

WE are waiting for zero hour. We have been waiting now for many days, not only here, on the Teruel front, but all along the 1,400-mile-long line of the Spanish war front.

The rebels have accumulated masses of fresh Italian material—cannon and cannon-fodder. With winter coming on, the big push, perhaps the biggest of the war, cannot be long delayed. But where will the hammer-blow fall.

Some say: Madrid. Why not? The fall of Madrid must remain the rebels' prime objective.

Others predict a rebel thrust from Teruel towards the coast, coinciding with a landing of Italians from Majorca, which would sever Barcelona from Valencia.

TERUEL is fairly quiet, too. From the Government positions on the surrounding heights I looked down this afternoon on the "martyr city" of the rebels, where the whole population lives in the cellars and the very dogs have learned to run for cover when the guns go off.

"What are the chances of a rebel push towards the coast?" I asked the divisional commander or as we watched his batteries pounding the road from Saragossa, along which Teruel draws its supplies.

"Look at our positions," he replied with a sweep of his arm that embraced the whole panorama of towering crags and deep ravines.

"And look at our men," he added.

This front, on which so much may depend, is now held by the smart, disciplined new soldiers of the Republic. The Anarchist Columna de Hierro (Iron Column), which set out light-heartedly from Valencia at the beginning of the war to chase the Fascists from Teruel, is now but a memory. Some of the iron proved to be tin; the rest is now being forged into steel by the new Republican Army.

AS the two armies, rebel and Republican, line up for the autumn campaign, what are the prospects. After 450 days of war, who is winning?

To most people in Britain the question will seem superfluous. Why, Franco is winning of course. From Badajoz to Gijon, has not the whole war been a

thereupon admonished him, saying: "We could keep them here with us, Jock, and we could keep you, too. But the longer we keep you the harder it will be." The soldier took the hint and went like a lamb. And no doubt there have been instances when the Army has been able to do a similar good turn for the Navy. In any event the illustration serves the point. The good name of a regiment or a service is the responsibility of every individual belonging to it, in or out of uniform.

It would be a pity, indeed, if Hongkong should be forced to ask for protection for its guests against the very men who are its guardians.



succession of spectacular victories for his arms?

That is one way of looking at it—the juvenile history book way. There is another.

At the outset of the war Franco struck where he pleased, and his blows unfailingly told.

His first concern was to reach the Portuguese frontier, to ensure supplies of foreign arms. Hence the march on "Bloody Badajoz." His next was to control the Seville-Salamanca railway and so unite his northern and southern forces. Hence the capture of Merida.

Then came the assault on Irun, which severed the contact of the loyal Basques with France. The way was now prepared for the march on Madrid. By November the rebels were there.

Up to this time the Republicans had given ground wherever the enemy struck in force. At Madrid, for the first time, they held their ground.

Throughout the winter Franco strove to break Madrid's iron ring. He attacked from the south-west (Carabanchel), from the west (Casade Campo), from the north-west (Las Rozas), from the south-east (Jarama)—but all in vain.

Still the Republicans could do no more than defend Madrid: they could not hit back.

In March, for the first time, they did hit back and routed the Italians at Guadalajara.

Thereafter Franco turned his attention to a front of secondary importance—Bilbao. The infant Basque Republic perished.

The initiative is passing slowly to the Government. There are other factors in its favour. If I want to go from the Teruel to the Cordoba front I must travel 370 miles. But if I were

in the flames of Guernica. But while the world looked on aghast (and did nothing) the sword of retribution—the new Republican Army.

In July, after preliminary "try-out" offensives on the Cordoba and Guadarrama fronts, the new Army struck its first major blow—Brunete. To meet the attack the rebels had to rush their main forces back to the Madrid front.

"We have given the first irrefutable demonstration of our offensive power," said General Miaja after Brunete; "but we have done more: we have forced the enemy to fight on a front where he did not want to fight."

AFTER Brunete—Belchite. Again the Republican Army struck swiftly and strongly, this time on the Aragon front. Again the rebels lost ground; but whereas at Brunete they regained some of the lost ground, at Belchite they could recover none of it.

Carabanchel, Guadalajara, Brunete, Belchite—as names these cannot compare with Badajoz, Irun, Toledo, Malaga and Bilbao; but they are facts on which Republican Spain has built her confidence in ultimate victory.

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1937:

The Republican Army

on the rebel side of the line I should have to travel 710 miles. Similarly, from Madrid to Granada—in Government territory, 290 miles; in rebel territory, 520 miles.

These "short cuts" will tell strongly in the Government's favour during a campaign which is likely to consist of a succession of surprise attacks on different fronts.

Consider, also, man-power. Franco's forces number approximately 400,000; the Government's 500,000. And Franco has already called to the colours two more classes of recruits than the Government has done; he has, in fact, exhausted the resources of conscription. And the supply of Moors is drying up.

Adequate reserves can be found only in Italy and Germany. But—and this is Franco's dilemma—the more foreign troops he employs, the more starkly he reveals the real nature of the war—no longer a civil war between "two factions" (Sir Samuel Hoare's phrase) but an invasion of Spanish soil by foreign armies.

On the other hand, the reserves on which the Republic counts are entirely Spanish. The International Brigade has played its part. Never more than 15,000 strong, it has now shrunk to fewer than 10,000. Those who remain have been incorporated in the Spanish Army.

The International Brigade as such, no longer exists.

WITH the resources of

Italy and Germany to draw on, Franco can still boast a preponderating advantage in armaments. The Republic has created a war industry which grows stronger daily, but is still pitifully inadequate for the need of half a million fighting men pitted against the military machine of international Fascism.

Small wonder then that both in the Casa de Campo and here at Teruel the first question put to me was this: "When are they going to open the French frontier and let us have the arms?"

Thus, at the beginning of the second winter of the Spanish war, as at the beginning of the war itself, the issue lies in the hands of the two democracies, France and Britain, in whose interests as much as in their own hundreds of thousands of Spaniards have laid down their lives.

The Young Idea Mis-shoots

A YOUNG child's mind, eagerly grappling with all new experiences and information, has not the time to sort out properly the impressions that crowd in on it. As a result, the child's attitude to sacred things is sometimes humorously incongruous, though, of course, there can be no irreverence when the intention is absent.

The child is predominantly occupied with the exciting sense impressions he receives from the actual world, and consequently he is apt to bring sacred things down to the level of his own experience. Thus the boy who suggested that the reason why our first parents were forbidden to eat the fruit of one tree in the Garden of Eden was "because they were cooking apples" was probably relating this theological problem to an experience of his own.

Another child, on hearing for the first time the story of the Garden of Eden, missed the significance of the Fall altogether, and wanted to know in what kind of carriage Adam and Eve were "driven" out of the Garden.

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COLONY LEARNS TO FIGHT GAS IF WAR COMES

HONGKONG CIVIL LEADERS ATTEND FIRST LECTURE

The China Fleet Club Theatre was packed yesterday for the first of a series of lectures on air raids precautions arranged to instruct representatives of the civilian population on the means of preparing in peace time for the exigencies of war.

In an earnest and concise manner, Lieut.-Cmdr. B. M. Douglas, of the Naval Dockyard, outlined the programme of passive defence by which residents could avoid the panic and much of the destruction of high explosive, incendiary and poison gas bombs launched from the air.

He added that when the present course of lectures was completed, it was hoped that representative people would undertake a specialised course and would then become instructors to their own employees and others in the principles of passive defence.

The lecturer said:

This talk is more introductory than anything and the points I shall make about de-contamination, high explosive bombs, etc., will be gone into in more detail later.

In war time, airports, railways, factories and docks will become legitimate targets of the enemy, for these are engaged in work of national importance and must go on as long as possible for the successful prosecution of the war. Since the last war, flying has developed so much that we must be prepared for these points to be attacked from the air and by every possible weapon that can be used by aircraft. We must also be prepared, in spite of our defences, for some, if few, of the raiding aircraft to get through. The active defence against these air raids consists of anti-aircraft guns, intercepting machines, balloon barrages and things like that which do not materially affect these lectures.

On the other hand, we must have an organisation on the ground to ensure the safety of the workers and the safety of the materials and the jobs they are doing. That organisation is called "passive defence" and it will be organised by your Air Raid Precautions Committee. This passive defence organisation needs a lot of preparation and training and you cannot wait until war is declared before you do the training. Therefore, we are not preparing for war, we are preparing the organisation which, should war come, will be able to carry on with the minimum amount of inconvenience.

PANIC AND CONGESTION

That is the reason why you representatives of big firms have been asked to come here to-day. We have to get you sufficiently air-minded that you will, after you have taken a course of lectures, specialise in a few more lectures and become instructors to your firms.

The problem of the defence of the civilian population of this Colony is very large, mainly due to the concentration of the main bulk of the population round military objectives, the densely populated areas, narrow lanes and the tenement type of dwellings, and the streets being too narrow for fire engines and ambulances. Finally, the large and ever-changing native population is very liable to panic and the problem of discipline in air raids and maintaining order is more complicated by the illiteracy of the poorer classes.

Air attacks on this Colony would be made either from sea-borne aircraft or from a shore base—perhaps in North China—and these air raids could be expected in the very early part of the war. In fact, it is quite conceivable that the raid would come first and the formal declaration of war would come afterwards. (Laughter.)

TEN MINUTES WARNING

Information as to these raids is received from naval vessels on patrol, etc., and warning signals will be made. The warning signal has not yet been finally decided upon. You know we had a test last week which was a flop and, this morning, we tried another one on a similar scale—a broadcast gramophone record of sirens and bells which has possibilities. That is being gone into and you will be informed what the signal is when it is finally decided upon.

When the warning signal comes you will know you have 10 more minutes at the very most before the first bomb will fall. There is not much time and that everything must be organised in peace time so that everybody knows what to do and where to go without traffic congestion.

The attack can, or might be made by three methods from the air: (1) high explosive bombs, (2) incendiary or fire bombs, (3) poison gas.

The incendiary bomb is, I should consider, very likely indeed. The incendiary bomb of which you see one here is a 2-lb. one so you can imagine how many a big bomber can carry. They penetrate the ordinary Chinese tiles and burn afterwards so intensely and give out so much heat that you cannot get near them. Neither water, nor fire, nor sand, nor anything will put them out. The only thing to do is to wait until it burns out and then get busy and put out the fire it had caused. For that you must have fire patrols in the upper stories of your factories and offices in order to cope with these fires immediately they have started

and prevent the whole of the building catching fire.

EFFECT ON MORALE

In some European countries they have compulsion to clear the attics and top stories of the buildings. In some places they have gone so far as to have a layer of sand but I do not advise that in this country because it would be a very happy hunting ground for sand flies and various other insects.

The effect of these incendiary bombs on the morale of the population is enormous. You can imagine yourselves, flames and fires leaping up all round you, fire-engines clanging through the streets and people running from one burning street to another. In the last war it was mainly high explosive bombs and aerial torpedoes. One heard of an explosion a long way off and one heard later that it was "John Bull" or somebody else's office. Unless one had relatives there or shares in the firm one was not particularly interested. Now, if you saw all these places on fire I think you would begin to get an idea of "Canton more far!"

The next item is the high explosive bomb and this can come up to a 1000-lb. shell. The two that burst in Marking Road, Shanghai, on the "Black Saturday" were 500-lb. each and you will remember the appalling tragedies that they caused. The number of casualties was, granted, mainly due to the fact that they were evacuating over Garden Bridge, and that only points out to us that we must do everything we can to avoid such a congestion of people in streets of the Colony. The risk of a direct hit of these high explosive bombs is one we must accept—the odds are about one in a par with that of being struck by lightning. On these occasions people within 100 or 200 yards were very severely damaged so we must make some protection against the effects of high explosive bombs which do not hit us. If it hits us we need not worry about it. (Laughter.)

BOMB PROOF SHELTERS

Some people have gone in for bomb proof shelters. That means six feet of reinforced concrete which is obviously an uneconomical proposition. They have to be very big ones and you rather have all your eggs in one basket so to speak, besides which many people have got to get in—and to get in quickly. Therefore, this country is now swinging round and we are going in for small shelters which will, to the best of our ability by sand-bagging and transversing, be made as safe as possible against the splinters flying glass and pieces caused by the bomb.

The bomb which fell in the New World at Shanghai about the same time as the others, resulted in people being found dead without a mark on their bodies within a radius of 75 yards. They had been killed by the concussion or the blast of the bomb. I do not know whether any of you saw those pictures at the Queen's of the bombing at Shanghai, but they showed the effect of blast on the buildings. In our bagging we must protect against that. It is hoped eventually that we shall have these splinter proof and blast proof shelters round the town.

ATTACK BY GAS

The last method of attack is gas. Nearly all big nations have signed an agreement that they will not use gas unless it is used against them, but gas is a very effective weapon. It is easy to produce and comparatively cheap. Therefore, it becomes a great temptation to any nation with its back to the wall.

It was used, you will remember, with good success in Abyssinia to mop up the country. Therefore we must be prepared to take such anti-gas methods as may be necessary. I grant you the main danger to this Colony may be from high explosive bombs and incendiary bombs but as gas is less known about and requires more training and knowledge to deal with in the probability of lectures that a large percentage of them is devoted to anti-gas work. I will just give you a rough outline of the types of gas that may be used.

The gas can be either pure gas, liquid or a solid in the shape of dust. These can be divided into two types: persistent and non-persistent gases which do not last so long. They can be divided again on the effects they have on the human body; eye gas, which is tear gas; nose gas; choking gas and blister gas.

Tear gas is harmless but very uncomfortable. Your eyes start running as if they had been rubbed with an onion and you cannot see anything and wink hard. Otherwise there is no injury to your eye sight

JAPANESE RAID INTO SHANGHAI

Independent Action In Settlement

Shanghai, Dec. 6 (4 p.m.). Japanese consular police, in two automobiles, raced from Hongkew up Nanking Road, disregarding traffic signals, and raided the Great Eastern Hotel behind the Wing On Department Store. The Japanese arrested four Chinese, including one woman, who were taken to Hongkew, but released an hour later.

PROTEST TO CONSUL

Shanghai, Dec. 6 (10.21 p.m.). The International Settlement Council has protested to the Senior Consul against the raid. The hotel belongs to the Wing On Company, a British registered concern owned by an Australian-born Chinese. The raid was carried out by 12 Japanese consular police, armed with rifles and pistols, who acted independently and without warning the International Settlement police.

The charges against those arrested are not known. The woman was not given time to dress and was taken away clad only in her underclothes.—Reuter.

It is believed that in the Japanese in this way intend to establish a precedent for independent arrests of Chinese in the Settlement. The Settlement authorities are investigating the incident.—United Press.

THE YOUNG IDEA MIS-SHOOTS

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received the present of a Bible with no inscription in it, so to repair what she thought was an omission, she wrote on the fly leaf, "With the author's compliments."

As the child hears so many strange, abstract theological terms, it is not surprising that confusion sometimes results. A little girl had just joined the Sunday school, and the teacher asked her if she had been baptised. "Yes," she said, "I have been baptised three times, but it hasn't taken yet."

This story also illustrates how some of the time-honoured phrases used in church baffle the child's understanding. A little girl, in church for the first time, heard the minister announce the banns of marriage, concluding with, "This is for the third time of asking." With a natural feminine curiosity she puzzled over this phrase for a long time, and then she asked her mother, "Mummy, how did the minister know how many times the man had asked her?"

The Freudians, who are so adept at discovering unconscious motives and desires behind slips of the tongue, would probably shake their heads over this story. Two boys were arguing about the comparative advantages of their fathers' respective professions. "My father is a doctor," boasted one, "so I can be ill for nothing." "That's nothing," retorted the other, not to be outdone, "My father is a clergyman, so I can be good for nothing!" J. H. C.

and if you face the wind when you are out of it, it will blow away and no more harm will be done.

LETHAL GASES

Nose gas is inevitable and does not smell but you get a raw feeling at the top of your nose and start sneezing and vomiting; and are generally uncomfortable. That cannot sound a dangerous result but the whole reason of these two gases is to get you in such a panic through sneezing or vomiting that you will not have time to get your respirator on before they put over another wave of lethal gas. That is the third type of choking gas.

Choking gas is a lethal gas and if you inhale that you die of internal drowning, more or less. The best known of these two types of choking gas are phosgene and chlorine, which were used to a great extent during the last war.

The fourth and most important type is blister gas of which the best known is mustard and you will hear a more detailed account of that at a later lecture. These blister gases are heavy oily liquids and when they splash on you get a burn which eventually burns into a blister. At the same time, the liquid vaporises and you get a breath of it, when it becomes a choking gas which will in due course also burn you. Mustard gas is a very important one and is a form of gas which if any was used, is I think, the one that would be chosen. It gets into wood, brick and earth and soaks into everything except highly polished surfaces such as on brass or glass. Once you have got mustard into you, it takes a long time to get it out and it must be got out quickly because all the time it is there it is giving off this poisonous vapour.

DE-CONTAMINATION SQUADS
The antidote is a black powder and a number of special squads will be trained in the use of this powder and how to get rid of this mustard from roads, walls and steel works etc. They will be called "De-Contamination Squads."

As to the way in which these gases can be used; firstly, a gas shell fired from outside, which I do not think is particularly likely because a shell does not hold much gas and if you are going to use shells you may as well put high explosive in them. Secondly, gas clouds released

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Work For Children Of The Colony

Protection Society Stresses Malnutrition POOR GIRL'S GRATITUDE

The Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children will hold its annual meeting at the Helena May Institute on Monday, December 13, at 5.30 p.m., when H. E. the Governor and Lady Northcote will be present, in their capacity of patrons.

The eighth annual report, covering the period from November 1, 1936, to October 31, 1937, has been issued. It shows that the Society has investigated and dealt with 1,539 new cases during the year, affecting the welfare of 3,690 children.

"Tuberculosis" appears with distressing frequency in the inspectors' case reports, which reveal the extent to which their living conditions expose the poor children of Hongkong to the disease's ravages. It was, therefore, a cause of satisfaction to the Society to learn from the Hon. Dr. Li Shu-fan, at the August meeting of the Executive Committee, that an Anti-Tuberculosis Society had been formed in Hongkong, and it is hoped that members of the Society for the Protection of Children will do what lies in their power to co-operate in the measures contemplated by the Anti-Tuberculosis Society to protect these unfortunate children.

MALNUTRITION

A Malnutrition Research Committee, under the chairmanship of Professor Rids, the other members being Professor Nixon, Dr. Uttley, Dr. Lee and Mr. F. H. Loebe, as representatives of the Society, has now been appointed. The widespread existence of marasmus, which is malnutrition in its extreme form, among the younger babies, is a problem that is faced by this Society. Unfortunately, marasmus is only one of the manifestations of malnutrition which is prevalent in the Colony, and evidence of malnutrition is increasingly found in pregnant women and nursing mothers. The problem is not economic and not a matter of polished or unpolished rice, and the malnutrition among the pregnant women in the Colony requires attention by Government and by the charitable, even though for the moment assistance cannot be scientific.

The only permanent cure for the poverty which has called into being the Society for the Protection of Children and other organisations which approach the poverty problem from different angles, would be some radical change in the economic conditions of Hongkong, the report declares.

SOCIETY'S WORK

The Society has continued its support of the Children's Hospital at Shamshuipo, which is under the direction of the Chinese Sisters of the Precious Blood, and the opening of the new building on June 5 was a cause for satisfaction to all those who have felt the need of more beds for Chinese children in the Colony's hospitals.

The undergraduates of the University's Education Department have for some time been running a free night school for poor boys, where all services are gratuitous. Professor Rids is responsible for this. Among the children attending the above school are boys belonging to the clubs of the Boys' Club Association ("Street Boys' Clubs") of which Mr. J. Middleton Smith is Hon. Secretary.

The Lien Yuet Sen Creche, in memory of Mr. Li Po-chun's mother, was opened on July 29 by Mrs. N. L. Smith. This creche in Clarence Terrace can accommodate 40 infants, and is managed by the Canadian Sisters of Our Lady of the Angels.

Eleven boys have been maintained by the Society during the year at the St. Joseph's Industrial School, one at St. Joseph's College, two blind boys at the Haw Par Hospital of the St. John's Ambulance Association, one in connection with the Hongkong Benevolent Society, one at the Street Boys' Club and one at the Tai Po Rural Orphanage. Two girls are being kept at the convent of the Sisters of the Precious Blood, two at the Victoria Home and two at the Canossian Institute.

AN INTERESTING CASE

Since 1934 the Society has maintained at Victoria Home a girl whose mother was killed in the gas explosion of that year. This year she has received a sum of \$500 as compensation from the Gas Company and has offered this to the Society. The offer has been accepted, but the money is earmarked for the girl's training as a nurse at the end of her school period, for which the Society continues to pay.

The work of the Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children falls into three main groups—the feeding of hungry babies, the medical care of children and the relief of destitute children.

The Society makes it its business to see that no child of whom it has cognizance shall die of starvation, and that each one shall be given a chance of escaping that handicapped adolescence which is as disastrous for the community as it is for the child.

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A "Closed-Gone Fishing" sign hangs over the "Cracker-Box-of-a-Lunch-room" of Hubert Street who is off for a try at "Old Boko," reputed 60-pound musky, who defies all fishermen at Lovelock Lake, Ontario.

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12.30 Tchakovsky. "Eugen Onegin"—Waltz. Royal Opera Orchestra, Covent Garden. Cond: Eugene Goossens; Nutcracker Suite, Op. 71A; (a) Miniature Overture; (b) March; (c) Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy; (d) Russian Dance; (e) Arab Dance; (f) Chinese Dance; (g) Dance of the Flutes; (h) Waltz of the Flowers. Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 London Piano-Accordion Band and Sam Browne (Baritone).

The White Cliffs of Dover (Leon and Towers); Log Cabin Lullaby (S. and G. H. Byrne and Schuster); Piano-Accordion Band; I'm Sitting High On A Hill Top (film "Thanks a Million"); My Shadow's Where My Sweetheart Used To Be (Ilda and Carr); Sam Browne; Six Hit Medley (No. 2); Happy, I'm Happy; Wine Song (film "Caravan"); Piano-Accordion Band.

1.25 Heuter and Rugby Press; Local Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Relay of the Rotary Timin Speech from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel. Speaker: Rev. J. D. MacLean. Subject: "Housing and Citizenship."

2.15 Close Down.

4.00-7.00 p.m. Chinese Programme.

7.00 Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—In A Little English Inn; Waltz—Sailing Home With The Tide; Jack Jackson and His Orchestra; Fox-Trot—All Alone In Vienna; Everything You Do, Billy Bissett and His Orchestra; Everybody Dance (from the film); When The Poppies Bloom Again; Jack Payne and His Band; Slow Fox-Trot—Gypsy Violin; Tango—Caramba; Mantovani and His Tipica Orchestra; Waltz—Thru Open Wide Your Window; Espana Waltz; Sydney Kyte and His Piccadilly Hotel Band.

7.30 Closing local Stock Quotations and Hongkong Exchange Market Report.

7.35 Variety.

Vocal—1. Want To Be A Nudist; The Wedding Of A Gigo (Pola; Nesbitt and Walker); Eddie Pola with Orchestra; Dance Orchestra—Favourite Favourites, No. 3—Fox-Trot Medley; The Ballyhoolligans; Duel—A Little White Room (Floodlight—Nichols); Frances Day and John Mills; Vocal—Artificial Flowers (Floodlight—Nichols); Frances Day (Soprano); Organ—Popular Melodies—No. 3—Harold Ramsay.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Turner Layton (Vocal and Piano).

When My Mammy Smiles (M. Hodges); I Feel Like A Feather In The Breeze (film—"The Charm School"); It's Great To Be In Love Again (Koehler and McHugh); A Waltz Was Born In Vienna (Crocker and Loebe).

8.15 London Relay—"Wheels". A programme by Jonquil Antony and over to the studio about Production by Pascoe Thornton.

8.45 Studio—Puccini recital by Francesca Denies (Soprano) accompanied by Luba Shafstain (Piano).

1. "La Boheme"—Donde lieta; 2. "Gianni Schicchi"—O mio babbino caro; Piano Solo by Luba Shafstain; Espana (Granados); 3. "Tosca"—Vissi d'arte; 4. "Manon Lescaut"—In quelle trine morbide.

9.15 London Relay—Stars of Variety.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Light Symphony Orchestra. Mannin Woon (Haydn Wood); Shepherd's Song; Ronde; Min; Like To The Damask Rose (Elgar, arr. Haydn Wood); Homage March; Concert Waltz—Joyousness (Haydn Wood).

10.15 London Relay—The B. B. C. West of England Singers. In Traditional Songs and Folk-Songs of the West Country. Richard of Taunton Dene (arr. J. Williams). No John; Strawberry Fair (arr. Vaughan Williams). Widdicombe Fair (Trad.). High Germany (arr. R. O. Morris).

10.30 London Relay—Intermission.

A programme of novelty numbers and solo pieces. The B.B.C. Variety Orchestra; Lender, Frank Cantelli; Conductor, Charles Shadwell; Compere, Bryan Michie.

10.55 London Relay—Oxford v. Cambridge.

A running commentary on the Inter-University Rugby Union Football Match by H. B. T. Wakelam from Twickenham. (By courtesy of the Rugby Football Union).

11.45 Close Down.

DAVENTRY PROGRAMME

7.20 a.m. The BBC Empire Orchestra; conductor, Eric Fogg.

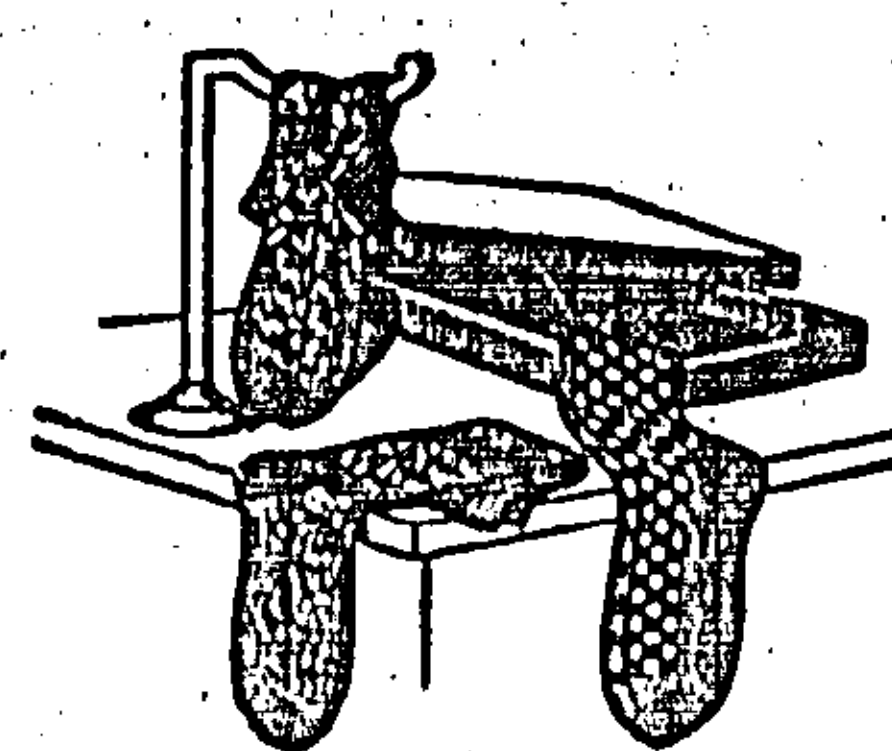
8 a.m. "Made in Great Britain"—2. Yorkshire Minstrel.

8.30 a.m. Bernard Sheaff with his Band.

8.40 a.m. The News and Announcements.

9 a.m. Big Ben. Variety.

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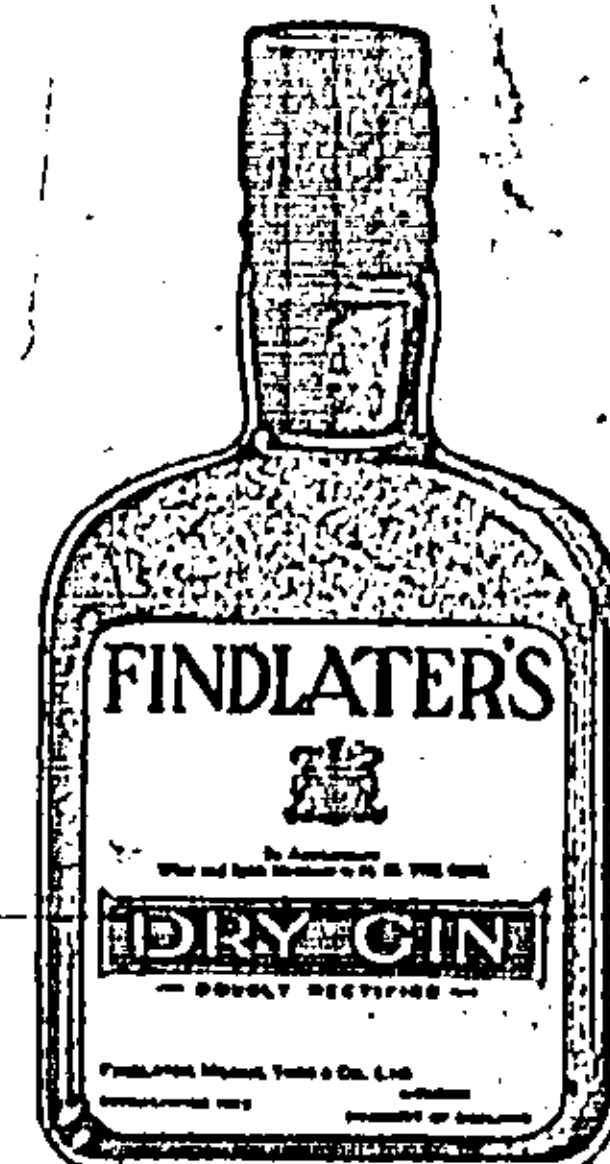
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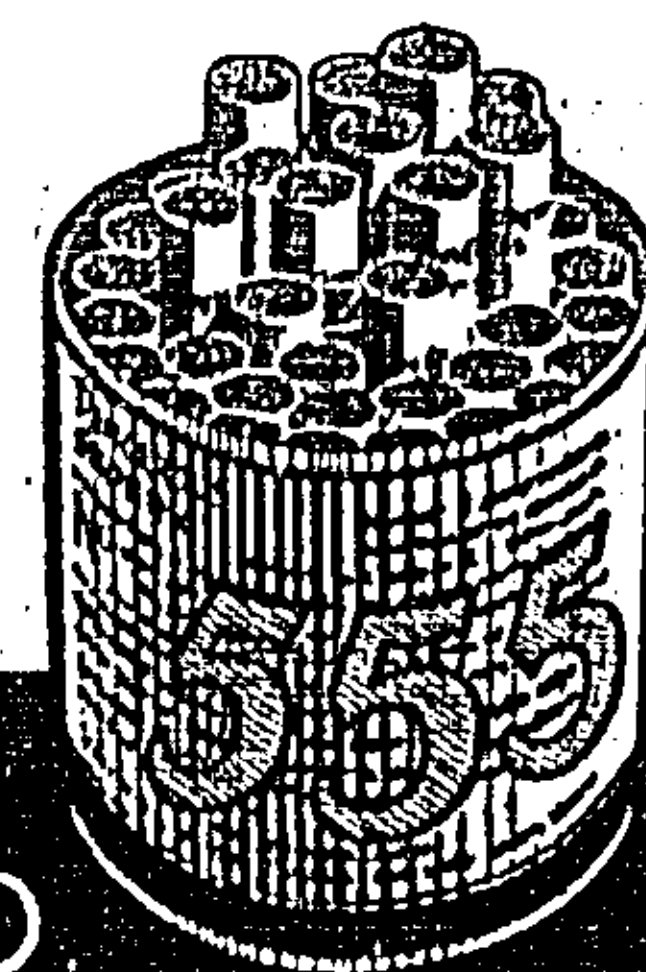
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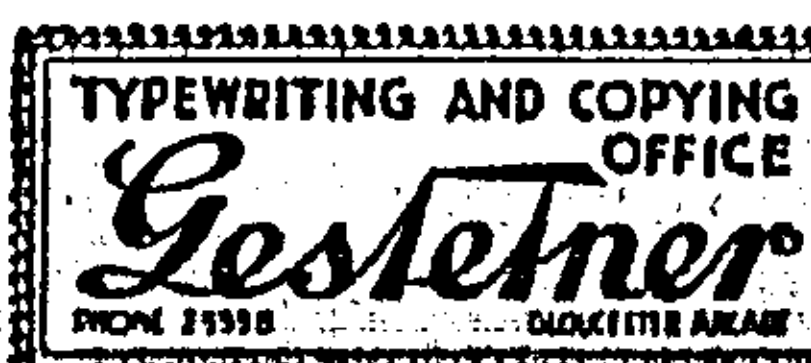
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INTERPORT SOCCER WITH SHANGHAI POSTPONED

COUNCIL REACHES VERDICT SENDING A TEAM NOT POSSIBLE

(By "Abe")

Hopes that the annual Interport football match between Hongkong and Shanghai may yet be held despite the uncertain conditions in the north were dashed yesterday when the Council of the Hongkong Football Association, at its monthly meeting, decided that, everything considered, a team should not be sent up to Shanghai at the beginning of the new year.

The unsettled conditions in the northern city at the present time were not the only reasons why the Council came to the conclusion that sending a team north was inadvisable. There was also the difficulty of getting together a really representative team. It was understood that many Chinese players would not be available, and furthermore it was doubtful whether selected military men would be able to obtain leave to make the trip to Shanghai in view of the present political tension.

Another factor, perhaps the greatest one—is that the local Association would find it hard to finance a team to Shanghai in view of the fact that gate receipts this season have been exceptionally poor. Not for a great many years have attendance at important matches been so disappointing.

Estimates by the Treasurers of receipts from all the season's big matches have been more optimistic than correct because they have been based on the figures of previous seasons. The actual takings at the end of the season, it was felt, would be definitely lower than the estimates unless attendances at the International and Lal Wah Cup matches improved considerably; and even assuming that the estimates were correct, the expense of sending a team north at a probable cost of \$3,000 would be too much for the Association coffers to bear.

NO HELP FOR IT

It is to be regretted that such a decision has been reached, but it will be generally appreciated that in the circumstances there is no help for it. If the reason for the decision was merely that Hongkong is unable to send its strongest team north, I would be one of the first to deplore it. But I know for certain that this is not so. Shanghai at the beginning of this year sent down what appeared on paper at least to be about the weakest side for many, many years. Even the most optimistic Shanghai supporter had to admit that the side was a poor one; yet they came down, fully expecting and expected to be "slaughtered." I am

Accrington Wins Second Replay

London, Dec. 6. The second replay between Accrington and Lancaster in the first round of the English F.A. Cup, decided to-day, ended in a win for the former team by four goals to nil. The game was played at Preston.—*Reuter.*

LARWOOD PATCHES UP WITH NOTTS

Contract To Be Signed Soon

London, Dec. 6. The authorities of the Nottinghamshire County Cricket Club announced that their differences with Harold Larwood, the famous Notts and England fast bowler, are now settled.

They state that a three-years' contract satisfactory to both sides, will be signed by Larwood in the next few days. An official statement issued by the Secretary of the Nottinghamshire County Cricket Club last August stated that Larwood following a resolution of the Committee had been suspended for the remainder of the season for a breach of discipline. It was alleged that he declined to practise when requested to do so by the Club authorities.—*Reuter.*

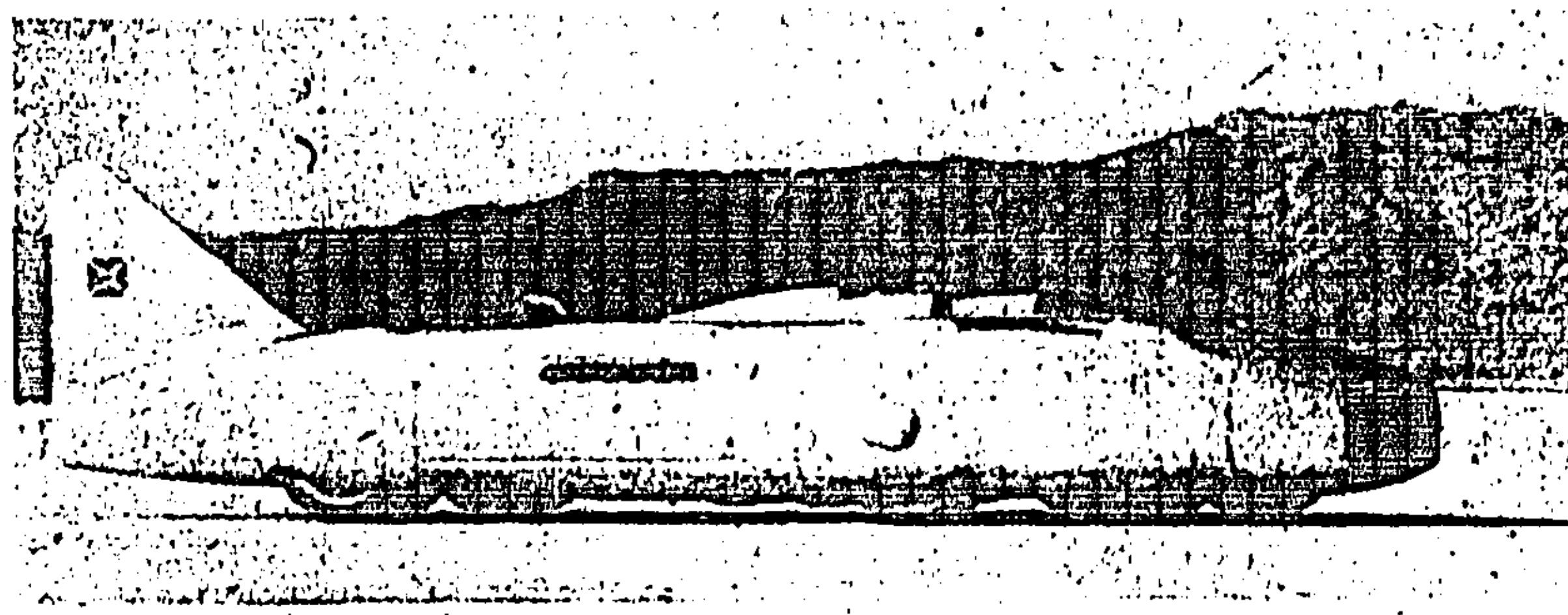
sure that if Hongkong ever found itself in the same predicament, it would not fail to emulate the splendid example of Shanghai. Of course, whether it would upset all calculations as the last Shanghai team did is another question altogether.

A suggestion made at the meeting was that the Hongkong F.A. should ask Shanghai to come down, but this was quickly ruled out. If Hongkong were to invite Shanghai to send a team here, the latter would naturally want to know whether we were prepared to pay all expenses; and the main obstacle—finance—would still be unsolved.

RELIEF TO SHANGHAI

Taking it all round, I feel that the decision reached last night was perhaps the most sensible one. Speaking from a purely personal point of view, I think it may be a relief to Shanghai that we are not going up. A recent communication from the north expressed the pleasure of the Shanghai F.A. that we had provisionally accepted the usual invitation to send up a team and that they would be pleased to entertain us if the situation, when the time of the Interport arrives, warrants sending a representative Hongkong team to Shanghai. It would appear, therefore, that even Shanghai was uncertain.

In any case, I am sure our northern friends appreciate our position and forgive us. The only consolation to be derived from the situation is that the postponement of the 1938 contest will make our next meeting with Shanghai all the more keener when it comes round. (A report of the proceedings at yesterday's Council meeting appears on Page 9.)



THE FASTEST THING ON EARTH
This fish-like object is the 6,000 Horsepower racing car of Capt. George Eyston who recently drove it at the phenomenal speed of over 310 miles per hour across a stretch of Utah's salt flats on which it is pictured above. Capt. Eyston hopes to attain a speed of 400 m.p.h.

IS LEAGUE CRICKET NECESSARY TO KEEP GAME ALIVE?

"R. ABBIT" SAYS—"YES"

There has been a good deal of discussion for many years past as to the question of whether there is a real need for League Cricket to keep the game really alive in the Colony or not. The answer to some extent is that it depends on the circumstances connected with each particular Club. Personally I am quite satisfied that the vast majority of Clubs, and I would only except the Navy, Army and H.K. Club, prefer League cricket and would very definitely be the worse off if it did not exist. Indeed, I have progressed to the stage when I would like to see home and away games played in each Division, except perhaps in Interport seasons when probably single games only could be managed in the first Division.

If the date of the Interports is to remain the same it would be interesting to see if the First Division teams could get in double fixtures when the Interport is in Shanghai. When the game is played here it is not packed up until the middle of November, and that is too late, I fancy, to permit of the two fixtures.

These remarks have been largely prompted by the experiences of the past three weeks though admittedly the question of camp complicates matters still more. But among all this consideration of League and non-League games there is one fact that sticks out a mile and that is that the most enjoyable cricket we get here is the all day match or two day match,—for choice the Sunday games. There are usually quite a number at the K.C.C.—generally later in the season I fancy,—and the Navy have been playing very regularly at King's Park this season, usually as a team gathered up by Payr. Lieut-Commandr. Nicholson.

A PLEASANT ADVENTURE

It was to King's Park that I wended my way on Sunday morning after a regretful parting with my sweet pen which seem determined to blossom earlier than they should. And there I found a very cheerful party, some interesting cricket and eat and drinks in serried ranks. I did however manage to form some idea of the game.

Nicholson won the toss and sent in Captain Allen, who I believe had played a good deal of cricket in Colombo, and Skelton. A. R. Abbas and Souza were not bowling so badly but the batsmen did not appear to be in any difficulties. Allen made the most of a fine reach and hit the ball very hard. I saw one to which he played back for a run-out. He was out at long on—while Skelton kept a very straight bat. He was playing much better than he had done on Sunday last and was hooking and pushing the ball away to leg very nicely, as well as bringing off his square cut quite a bit.

At 44 Luke went on and off his first ball Allen gave Gray a simple catch at first slip. (44-1-20). With Whitmarsh in Skelton bricked up and there was some sharp running as well. In fact one unkind person suggested that Skelton was trying to get his own back for his run-out last week. I don't believe it for a moment, but it made me positively die of thirst to see the desperate exertions of the two batsmen and, but for a thoughtful friend who summoned the No. 1 boy to be our Gynymede, my corpse would probably have been discovered later when they started to dig the foundations of the new pavilion they have got marked out.

A DIDAPPER

Mackay had one over before lunch and his first ball came to Skelton second bounce. He hit it for four through the covers but it was not so far off being a chance! Just before he had been clean bowled by a no-ball but the umpire had called it so promptly that Skelton had time to change his defensive shot into an attempt to sweep it round for four. The score at lunch was 51 for 1 wicket.

ket with Skelton 40 and Whitmarsh 15, both not out.

One of the charms of cricket is that it seems to encourage one so heartily in the good-fellowship of the luncheon interval. Somehow or other the junior has an even better flavour than usual. While, speaking of yesterday, I never quite realized before how perfectly sausage rolls, cold beef, yellow pickles—(I sneaked all the cauliflower)—and beer go together: a sort of gentle mingling of different molts into one grand sweet song if you take what I mean.

FREE HITTING

After a generous hour the game was resumed and the batsmen started to force the pace—very correctly of course though a bit hard on the gallant officer who had taken odds on Whitmarsh making a century. At 117 Skelton who had completed his fifty was very well caught by one of the MacNiders—I think E. but I won't swear to it. Brokenshire who had been keeping quite well got a rather nasty smack on the left cheekbone which not only broke the skin but raised a large bump. Consequently he could hardly be blamed for missing two big ones at extra cover from Whitmarsh—as he could hardly see the ball which in each case went over his head. Mackay took his place behind the sticks. The batsmen began to lash out recklessly and though Whitmarsh completed his half century, MacNider made another good catch to put him out for 55 and bang went a dollar! Walters got a few but three cheap wickets fell and round about half past three Nicholson declared at 177 for seven wickets.

THE PRESS BAT

The Press made quite a good start with A. R. Abbas and A. H. Rumjahn. By the way it occurs to me that Rumjahn has been playing cricket longer than anyone actually playing now except T. E. Pearce, G. R. Sayer and E. W. Hamilton, the two latter of whom have, I believe, ceased to play except perhaps in the Varsity game. However I do not state this in any way positively. I know Rumjahn was playing in 1914 when I turned over to cricket from Rugby. He made 20 on Sunday before Allen got one past his defence and things went quite nicely as 50 for 1 wicket was hoisted. However at 58 Souza, who had been quiet, completely failed to see—or get hold of—one from Rankine (is there an 'e' at the end?) and was caught at backward short leg as he mislaid it about twenty feet into the air. A simple catch (58-2-0). Tea was then taken and, with an hour and a half to go, it was perhaps anyone's match—except for the fact that the Press had a bit of a tail!

Just after the resumption however there was an unusual understanding between Abbas and Y. el Arcull which led to the former being run out easily. He had appeared to be well set and things might have gone very differently but for this disaster. However Arcull hung on and it looked as if the Press would even now draw the same when

Badminton Programme Disorganised

No Matches In "A" Division

The Badminton League programme yesterday evening was completely disorganised. Of the three "A" Division ties originally fixed, not one was played; instead one match in the Mixed Doubles and one in the "B" Division were decided.

Rather surprisingly, University lost to Kowloon Tong. Admittedly, the undergraduates did not field their full side, but Miss J. Anderson and K. L. Yong, and Miss J. Chon and P. K. Hui are regular members. Miss Anderson and Yong managed to take two games but Miss Chon and Hui could claim only one. The third pair, Miss Chow and T. F. Yong, lost all three. Kowloon Tong's victory was made all the more comfortable by the splendid form of A. W. da Rosa and Mrs. A. E. H. Castro, who won all their games.

"B" DIVISION
Chinese R.C. players were somewhat balanced to be unduly worried by St. Andrew's in the "B" Division and won by seven games to two.

MIXED DOUBLES

Kowloon Tong beat University 6-3 in the mixed doubles Badminton League last night.

R. E. Lee and Miss M. Xavier (Kowloon Tong) lost to Miss J. Anderson and K. L. Yong 15-21; beat Miss J. Chon and P. K. Hui 12-10; beat Miss L. D. Ghows and T. F. Yong 11-2.

A. W. da Rosa and Mrs. A. E. H. Castro beat Miss Anderson and Yong 21-15; beat Miss J. Chon and P. K. Hui 17-21; beat Miss Chow and Yong 21-15.

ST. ANDREW'S. "B" lost to Chinese Recreation Club 7-2. In the "C" Division St. Andrew's beat C. Y. Tung and H. W. Ho (C.R.C.) beat N. E. Kirby and J. P. Dawson 21-0; beat F. H. Stokes and S. A. Broadbridge 21-0; beat M. Weill and J. Millington 21-0; beat C. F. Chin and Y. W. Lu lost to Kirby and Dawson 21-0; beat Stokes and Broadbridge 21-0; beat Weill and Millington 21-0.

P. F. Choy and Y. P. Tsui lost to Kirby and Dawson 23-20; beat Stokes and

SUBSIDY GRANTED BY JAPAN

For Olympic At Tokyo

Tokyo, Dec. 1. Setting at rest fears that Japan would withdraw her invitation to hold the XIIIth Olympiad at Tokyo because of the current emergency, the Government to-day approved a subsidy of ¥4,300,000 for the Olympic track and field events.

The Cabinet further promised to consider the request for the appropriation of additional funds for staging the winter Olympiad at Sapporo. Of the sum already approved, ¥750,000 will be granted to the Olympic Preparatory Committee for its expenses next year. The sum was included in the estimates of the Ministry of Education, but it is expected to be shifted to the accounts of the projected Ministry of Health and Social Welfare. No decision has yet been made by the Cabinet regarding the request for appropriation for Japan's participation in the Far Eastern Track and Field Olympiad.—*Domei.*

AMBULANCE CUP SWEEP

Holders of tickets are reminded that the race for the above named Cup will be run off at Fanling on Dec. 10, 1937.

Tickets which are not returned by the end of the current week will be advertised as "Cancelled". Tickets may be purchased for cash at St. John Headquarters: Tai Hing Road, Causeway Bay.

WALK OVER GIVEN
The match between the University "A" and "B" teams was not played, the latter conceding a walk-over. The match between King's College and St. Andrew's was postponed.

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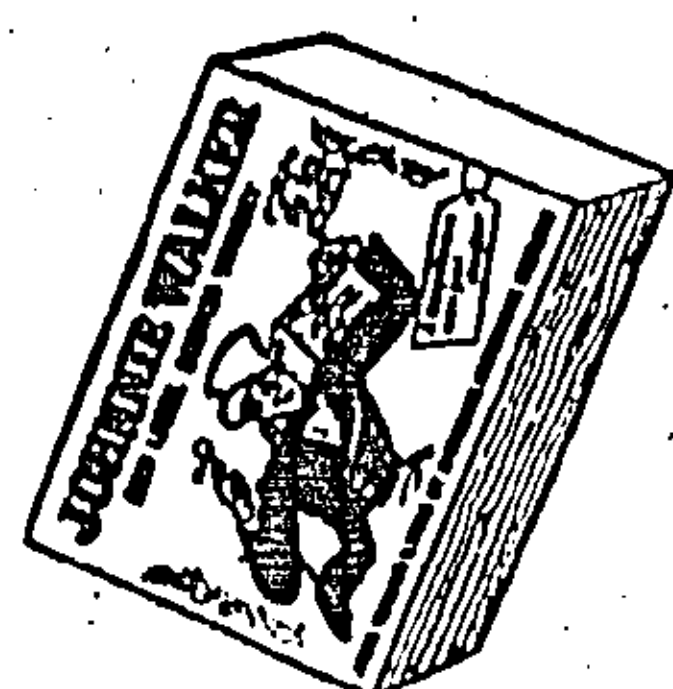
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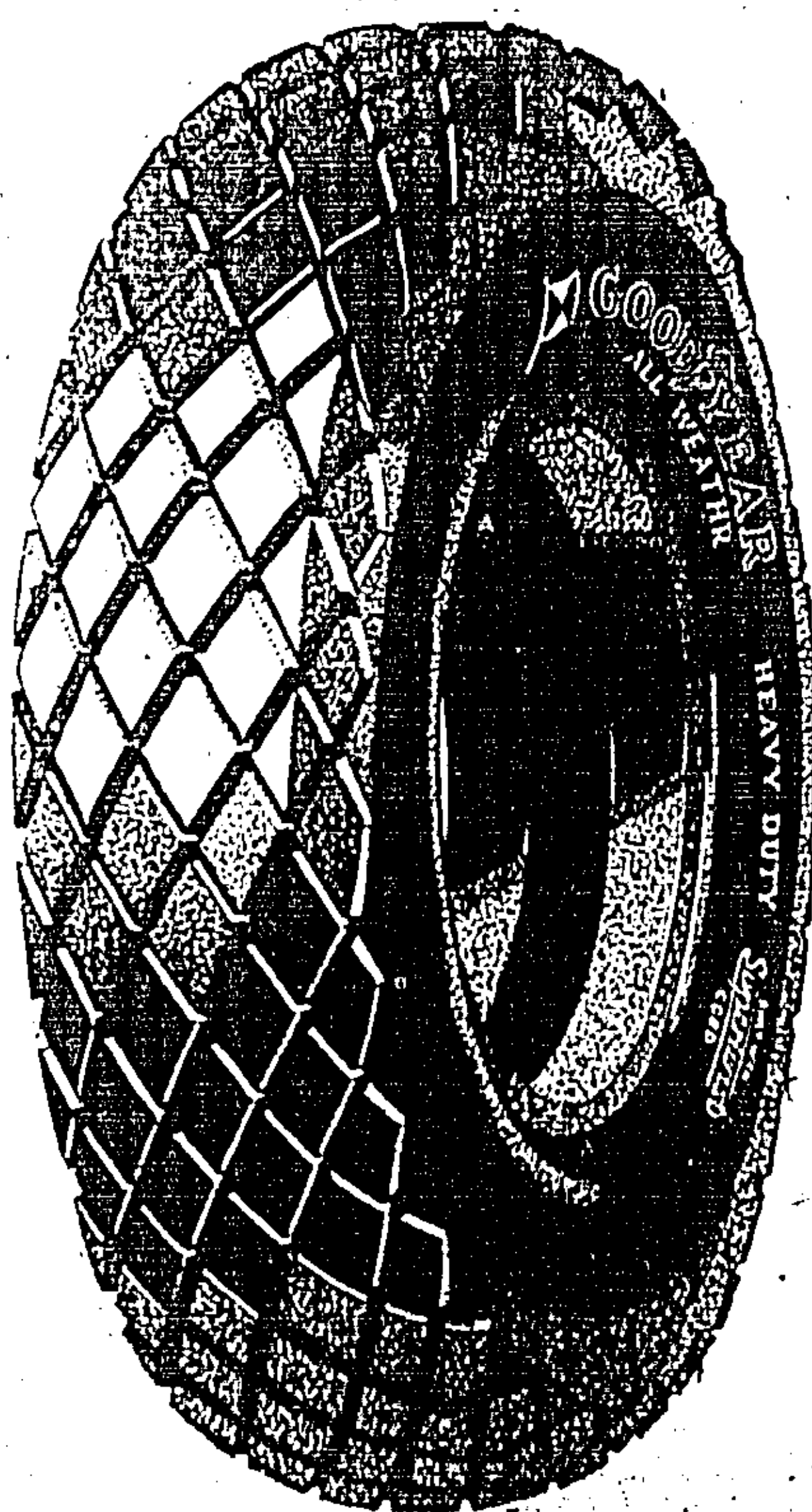
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FRENCH RANKINGS

Borotra And Brugnon Not Mentioned In List

Paris, Dec. 6.
In the French tennis rankings announced to-day, Jean Borotra and J. Brugnon are omitted for the first time in 10 years owing to insufficient competitive play.
The ranking are Christian Bouissou, Bernard Destremeu, with Yvon Petra and Paul Feret in a tie for third place.
Miss Simone Mathieu leads the women.—United Press.

HOCKEY TEAM

The following will represent the 1st XI of the Hongkong Hockey Club against the Royal Navy in the Triangular Tournament on the Club ground at 4.30 p.m. to-morrow:
V. M. Benwell; R. L. Wallace and E. V. Reed; R. A. Bates, W. A. Reed and J. E. Potter; S. Fowler, T. Whitely, G. E. R. Divett (Capt.), B. L. Bickford and V. Bond.

CRICKET NOTES BY "R. ABBIT"

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Mackay settled down. But later there was a quick change. I had noticed that Arcull was going down the wicket to get to the pitch of the ball and then he missed one and Skelton had the ball off in a flash—a smart bit of stumping. But worse was to come. Gray who has made quite a lot of runs this year, played back to his first ball and was bowled—he would probably have stopped it all right if he had come right out to it. Luke only got a single while Omar was splendidly thrown out from cover-point by Cotman. There was little if any chance of a draw and what there was vanished when Mackay got all tied up with one from Whitmarsh and gave in high chance at line leg which Walters had plenty of time to reach. The last men just managed to send up the hundred but the sword (or should I say the telescope?) was mightier.

SPORTS ADVT.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Thirteenth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 18th December, 1937, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 9th December, 1937.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

INTERPORT SOCCER OFF

No Team To Go To Shanghai

No Interport football team will be sent to Shanghai this year, it was decided at a meeting of the Hongkong Football Association Council yesterday. Contributing factors to the decision were the unsettled conditions in the north, the bad financial position of the Association, the poor gate receipts this season and the inability of Army and Chinese players to make the trip owing to the visit of the Illingworth Commission. The statement of accounts, produced by Mr. W. L. Alexander, Treasurer, showed a balance at the end of November of \$5,010.02. Gate receipts for the Poppy Day match amounted to \$633.40, including the sale of programmes, and the Government Cup game brought in \$1,510. Mr. Alexander said that \$28 in counterfeit notes and coins was accepted during the latter match, two \$10 and three \$1 bills, and \$5 worth of counterfeit coins. The \$10 notes were very good forgeries, he added.

Referring to the Interport, Mr. Alexander said that after making a rough estimate of the income and expenditure, he could not see how the trip could be made. This visit, if carried out, would leave the Association with practically no funds at the end of the season.

The Secretary, Mr. Carter, read a letter from the Hongkong Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation asking permission to play a match between the Chinese and a team to be fielded by the Association in aid of the China War Relief Fund. A similar letter was received from the Eastern Athletic Association, which also suggested a women's match, consisting of Chinese movie stars, of 20 minutes.

Subject to the approval of the Government, the Council decided to allow the first match to be played on Christmas Day. As regards the women's game, the Council said it had no objection if the Federation were in favour of it.

Junior Shield
The draw for the second round of the Junior Shield resulted:
Seaforts v. Club, R. E. (European) v. Navy, Kowloon v. Ordinance, South China v. Eastern, Kwong Wah v. Chinese Sappers, Signals v. Middlesex, University v. Police, Portuguese v. R.A.F.

International Cup
The result of the draw for the International Charity Cup was:
Portugal v. England (Kowloon), Scotland v. China (Caroline Hill). The first match will be played on December 27 and the other on Chinese New Year's Day.

Lai Wah Cup
The draw for the Lai Wah Cup resulted:
Army v. Navy (Club), Civilians v. Chinese (Navy).

January 8 has been chosen for the date of the first match and the following day for the other.
The Council decided to present a memento to Captain C. W. P. Yellman in appreciation of his work on behalf of the Association.

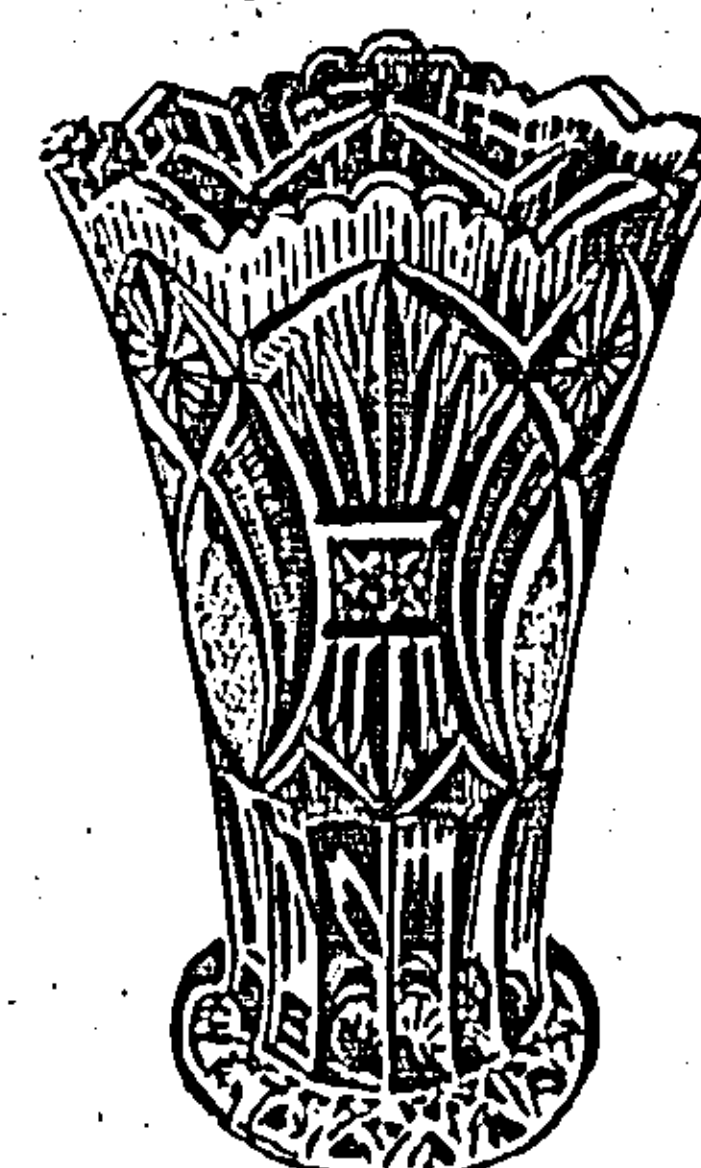
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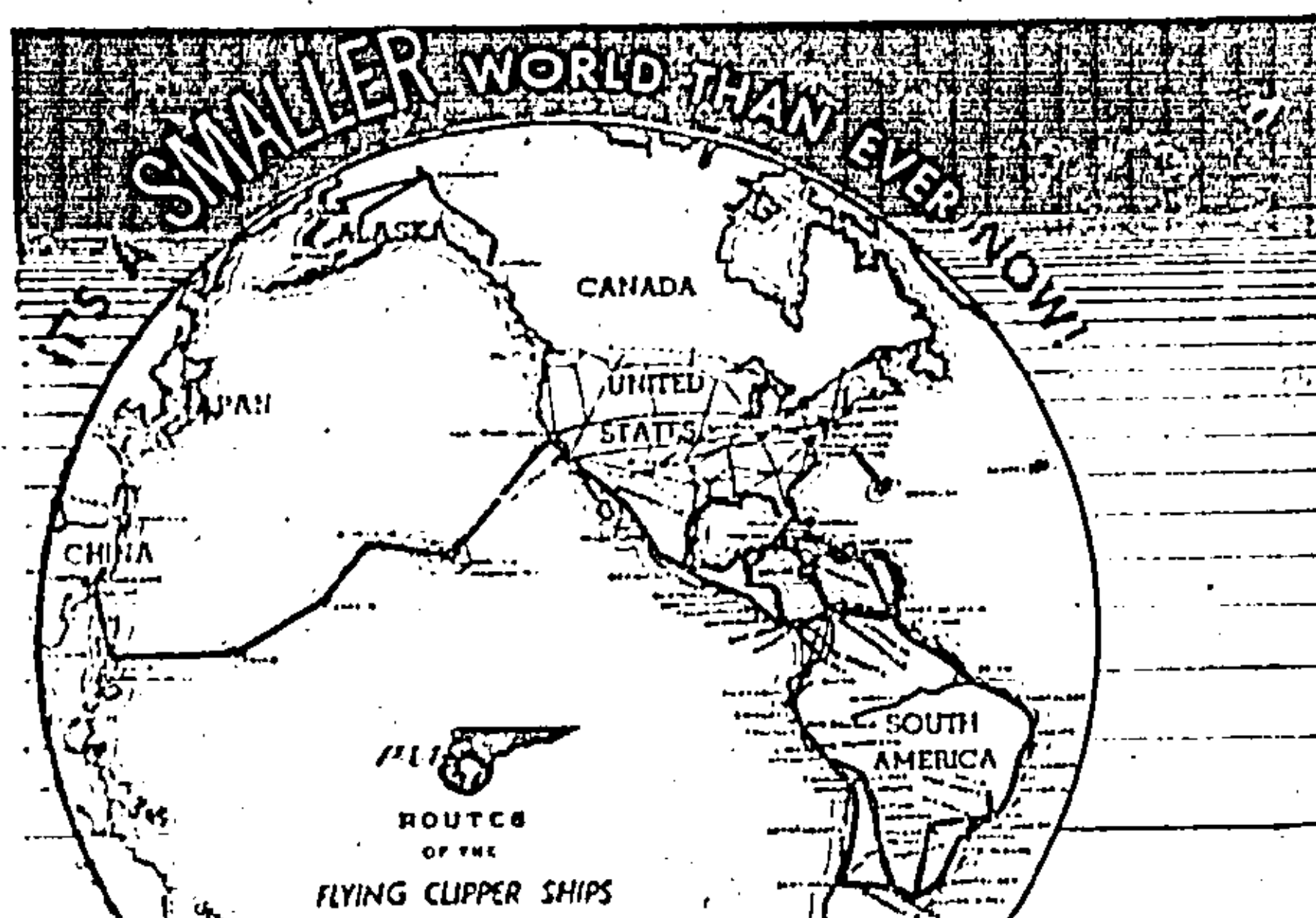
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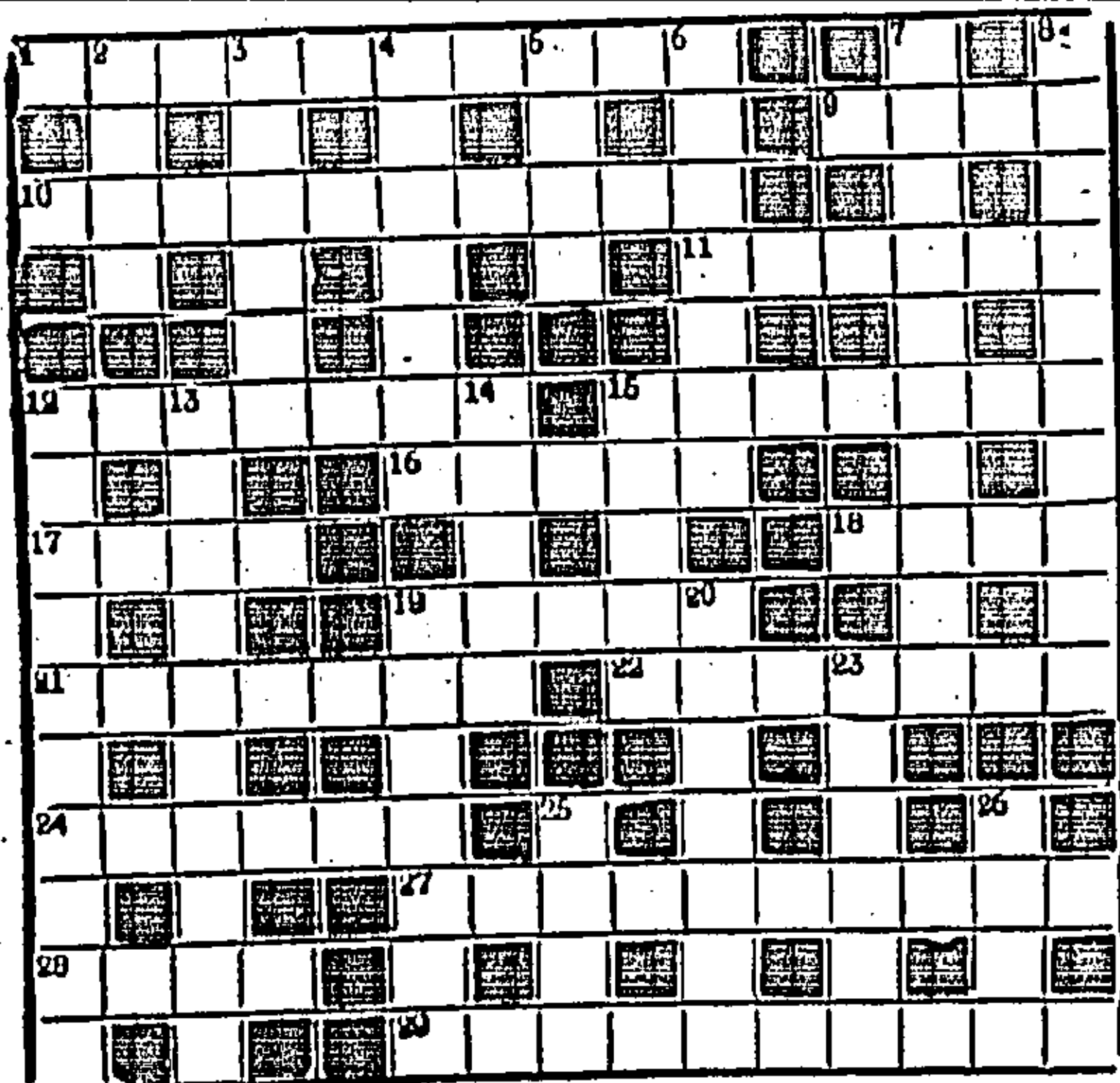
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ACROSS

- 1 This is a musician might be
- 2 A valley from 28 across (4).
- 3 No sweet suggestion of a female bird (10).
- 4 Flourish (6).
- 5 Might be a sensible request to the amateur musician who proposes to play it (7).
- 6 He may be after plunder, and after a vessel (7).
- 7 Male name (5).
- 8 Much may grow from this (4).
- 9 An imp, or part of one (4).
- 10 Belpold in low surroundings a criminal (5).
- 11 To be condemned thus would be unjust (7).
- 12 This can all be got from one thing (7).
- 13 So this to deepen the channel (6).
- 14 About one for the clerk and eight for the lord? (10).
- 15 Want from 9 across (4).
- 16 Britain to us, and this beheaded 48 a foreigner (10).

DOWN

- 2 This is not a stuffy den, evident (4).
- 3 A channel that is complete if beheaded (6).
- 4 In this it is the overhead charges that may cripple many (7).
- 5 What is not this is seen (4).
- 6 This seasons at 27 across (7).

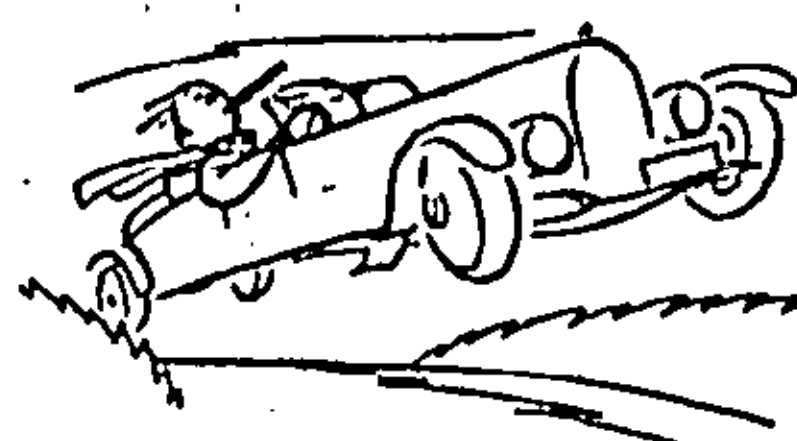
- 7 An entertaining item but reaction is varied about it (10).
- 8 To be relied upon (10).
- 9 True of an echo (10).
- 10 Part is right, but all is more than nervous (10).
- 11 Bare (5).
- 12 The animal is so in the receptacle (5).
- 13 The opponent of restrictions who seeks this (7).
- 14 will find it here! (7).
- 15 A feature of plain stiles (6).
- 16 A junction of two lines perhaps (4).
- 17 The shadow of the coming event? (4).

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Every day we are asked to advise on the purchase of a car, settle arguments as to the merits of different makes, probe licence difficulties, advise on the repair and maintenance of cars and motor-cycles—every imaginable question.

Most of the questions we are asked are sensible—the motorist to-day is a highly intelligent being, and pseudo-technical stuff doesn't put him off.

Regularly, I am asked if my name is really Wisdom; regularly, once a week, I get an abusive letter from one to whom motoring and murder are evidently synonymous terms.

But none of our life are the inventors who think that it only needs the word from us to get Lord Austin or Lord Nuffield to finance their schemes.

Our desk is cluttered up with radars and contraptions that are intended to improve the motor-car. Few of them are successful. The way of the inventor is hard.

Can I learn to drive without actually driving a car? I mean, can I teach myself from a book?

I answered "No." I should not be strictly accurate. Years ago, Paris Editor of the "Daily Herald" taught himself to drive from a book—very reasonably successful when he first took the wheel.

You can learn a great deal about driving and the "innards" of the motor-car from books, but personal tuition in a car is absolutely necessary in these days.

What is your advice about oil? Some of my friends say that cheap unbranded oils are perfectly all right.

Doubtless, there are some satisfactory "cut-price" oils. Personally, I prefer not to risk damage to an expensive machine for the sake of saving a few pence.

Manufacturers advise the use of a high-grade oil of the correct type. Presumably they know what they are talking about.

Tell me, please, the best way to test the brakes of my car. This information, now that the police are entitled to try brakes, would be useful to many of us.

Rough and ready way of testing brakes is to apply them from a speed of 30 m.p.h. and measure the distance it takes you to stop.

Look behind you before you try this test and use a telegraph pole or lamp-post as a marker. If you can pull up in 46 feet from this speed, your brakes are in an average state of efficiency. Thirty feet from 30 m.p.h. is very, very good—100 per cent. theoretical efficiency.

Better method is to carry in the car one of the new brake testers just issued to members of the Royal Automobile Club.

Club. It is a small tin box (about the size of a 4oz. tobacco tin) and it is stood on its end on the car floor.

Apply the brakes at 25 m.p.h. If the tin falls over, the brakes are O.K. If it does not, then adjustment is necessary. Frequent use of the tester is advised by the R.A.C. A gradual decrease in braking efficiency is not noticed by someone regularly driving the same car.

A neat little brake tester, for clamping to the dashboard, is made by the Perodo people. They have also inaugurated a service by which, at certain garages, brakes can be tested by a special machine, and a certificate of their efficiency granted. Possession of a recent certificate would be useful if the police happen to stop you.

Can you tell me petrol consumption figures of the Ford "8" Flat "500," Morris "8," Hillman "Minx"?

On road tests carried out by me, a Ford "8" averaged 38½ m.p.g., a Fiat 54 m.p.g., a Morris "8" 42 m.p.g., a Hillman "Minx" 33 m.p.g. I know, from letters, that many owners regularly obtain better figures, some not so good.

You said, that nowadays the woman motorist knows the difference between a bumper-bar and a big-end. Well, what is a big-end?

It is the "big-end" of the connecting-rod (opposite end to the piston) and sits on to the crankshaft. It is lined with white metal. When the

lubrication system fails or the oil is unnaturally thin, then the "big-end" becomes hot, the white metal melts, and there is a clanking sound from the engine. That means you have "run a big-end."

What is the speedometer law—does it apply to all cars—new and old?

Since October 1 last all new vehicles (those registered for the first time) except those restricted to a speed of 12 m.p.h. and motor-cycles of a capacity less than 100 c.c. are required to carry an instrument (not necessarily a speedometer) that will indicate to the driver, within a margin of 10 per cent. either way, when he is driving at a speed greater than that to which the vehicle is restricted by law.

Is it necessary for me to pass the driving test—I took out a licence in 1924 but never actually drove? I intend to take a course of lessons but do not know whether I shall have to pass the test.

No—the driving test applies only to those who have not held a driving licence prior to April 1, 1934.

I hold a provisional licence and carry the "L" sign on my motor-cycle combination. Can I carry a passenger in the side-car?

Yes—if the passenger is a licensed driver of at least two years' experience. Otherwise you will be committing an offence.

What questions will the examiner ask—I am shortly going for my driving test?

All questions will be based on the Highway Code—if you have studied the Code carefully you will be able to answer all the questions. Think carefully before answering—some examiners are fond of "trick" questions like, "When is it permissible to pass a red-light at automatic traffic signals?"

What is double-declutching?

A method of changing gear silently and smoothly insisted on by drivers in the veteran class. Nowadays, with the almost universal use of the synchromesh gearbox, few drivers still do it. Actually, double-declutching is simply synchronizing the speed of the engine and road wheels so that the gears mesh smoothly—exactly what the synchromesh mechanism of the modern gearbox does.

I want to become a racing driver—how do I start?

It is a very expensive matter. British motor manufacturers, with the exception of three or four firms, do not support motor-racing. The result is that there are far more drivers than cars, and more first-class racing mechanics than are needed.

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Flying Caravan of the People's Mandate for Peace visits President Roosevelt at Hyde Park before leaving on a 17,000-mile flight to 19 Latin-American republics to urge ratification of peace treaties. Left to right: Miss Jacqueline Cochran, Mrs. Rebecca H. Reyer, Mrs. Diana del Pulgar de Burke, Dr. Mary E. Woolley, Mrs. Burton W. Musser and Mrs. Enoc W. Frost.

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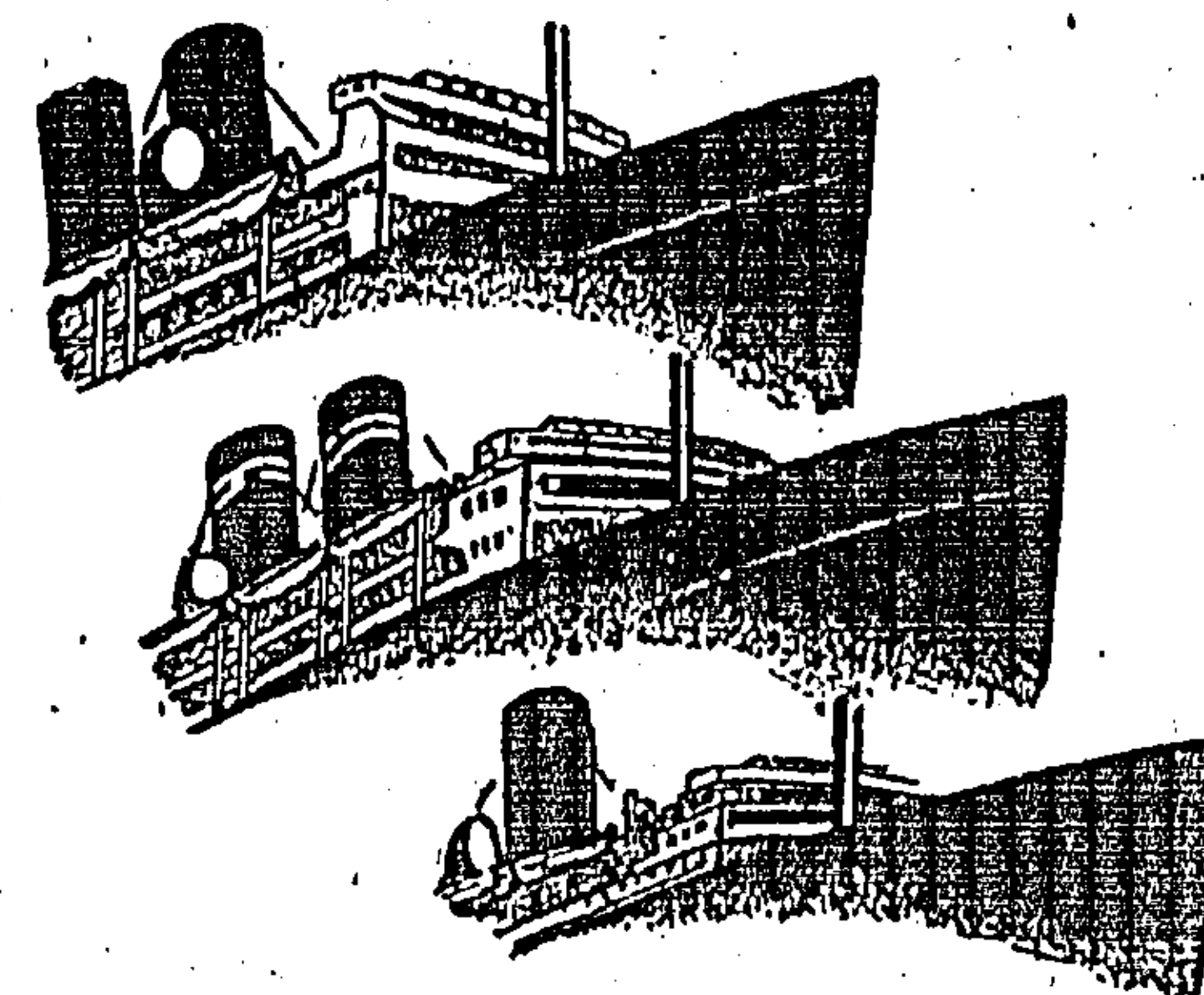
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Atsuta Maru Sat., 25th Dec.

Kitano Maru Wed., 22nd Jan. (1938)

Bombay via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.

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†Toyama Maru Mon., 27th Dec.

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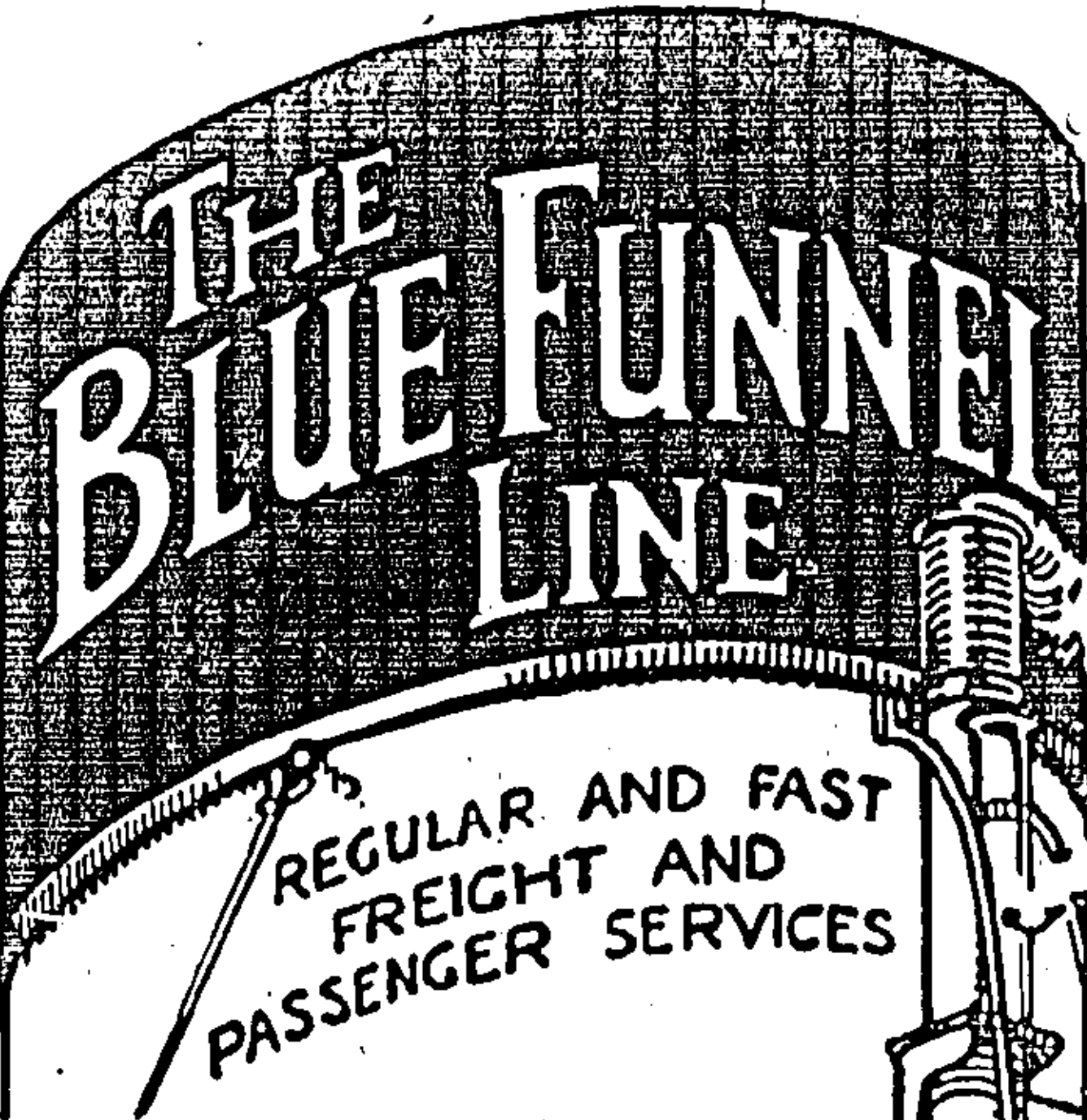
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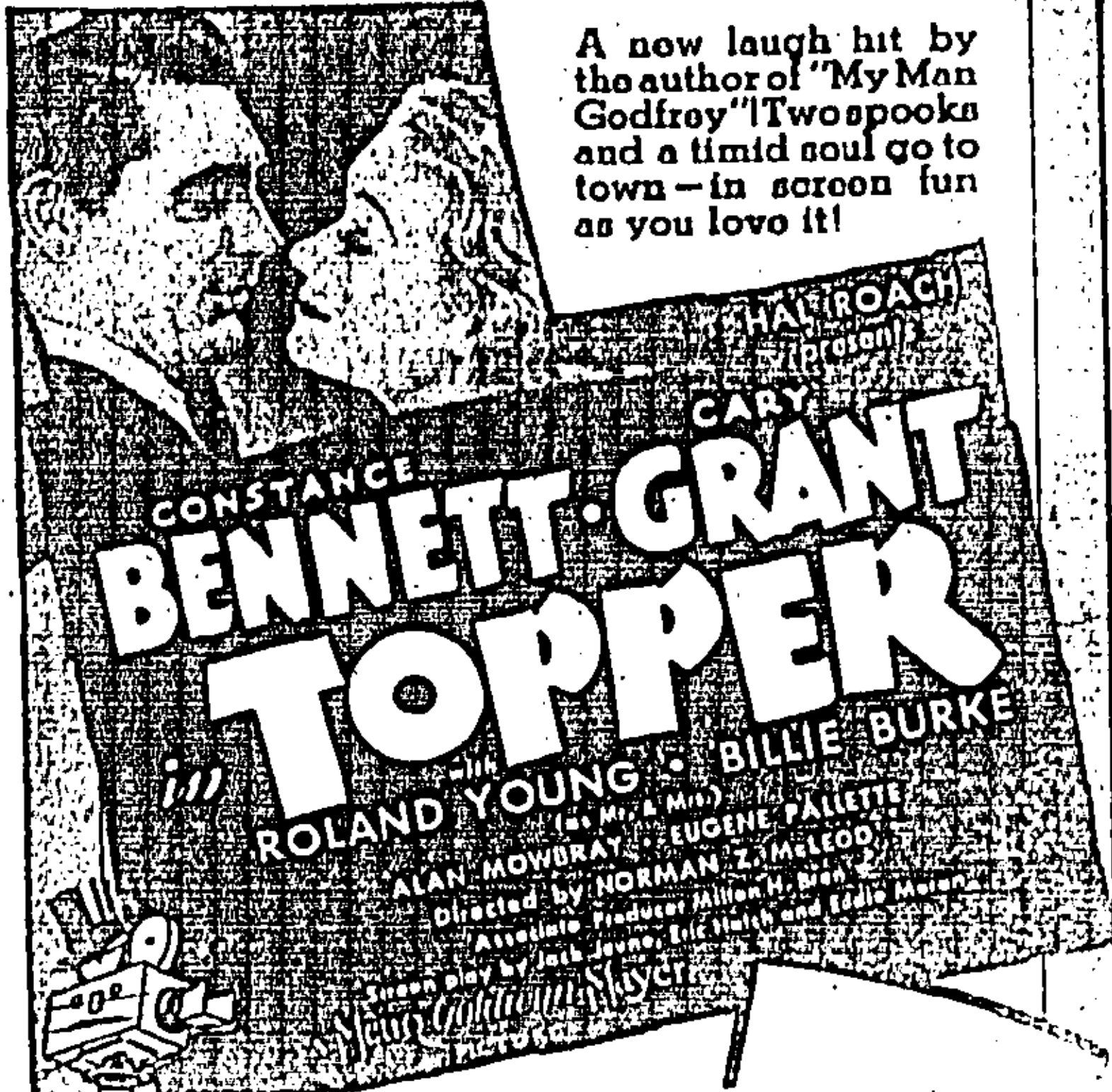
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BATTLE FOR NANKING EXPECTED AT DAWN

(Continued from Page 1.)

rescued by Chinese reinforcements, was revealed in a report received here to-day.

The Chinese troops who were sent out to patrol the countryside early in the morning encountered a Japanese force. Though outnumbered they were undaunted and immediately went into action.

A four-hour battle ensued during which the majority of the Chinese were killed. The rest, however, were determined to fight to the last man. Fortunately at this juncture, another party of Chinese patrols arrived and launched a surprise attack on the enemy who retreated, leaving behind 100 dead and three machine-guns.—Central News.

Shunhuchen Reduced To Ruins

Nanking, Dec. 7. Shunhuchen, a rural town 15 kilometres south-east of Nanking, has been reduced to ruins as a result of Japanese mass air attacks yesterday. No fewer than 300 bombs were rained on the town during seven raids. About 20 bombing planes participated in each raid.

A conservative estimate puts the approximate casualties at 200.—Central News.

Pukow Bombed By Japanese Planes

Nanking, Dec. 7. Nine Japanese bombers, escorted by five pursuit planes subjected Pukow, on the opposite side of the Yangtze River, to a severe bombing yesterday afternoon.

Several bombs landed in the vicinity of the railway godown where two big fires were started.—Central News.

Chinese Advancing On Chihshien

Linfen, Dec. 7. Following a grim five-hour battle, crack Chinese forces from Pingyao are now advancing rapidly on Chihshien, important town 30 miles south-west of Taiyuan, the Shansi provincial capital, a military despatch from the front states.

During the engagement, Japanese artillery and planes launched a joint attack on the advancing Chinese troops but were unable to check the onslaught. They finally withdrew to Chihshien where they are making preparations for another stand.—Central News.

Officials Ordered To Carry On

Hankow, Dec. 7. All provincial governors, special administrative commissioners and district magistrates in the war zone have been ordered by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek to remain in their offices and carry on their work. Officials who leave their posts without instructions will be dealt with according to military law, the Generalissimo warned.

The circular instructs officials in areas which are threatened by hostilities or which have been occupied by the invaders to remove their

Army Council Alterations Criticised

But Minister Adroit In Explanations

London, Dec. 8.

A sharp passage at arms arose in the House of Commons during question to-day between Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, Minister for Defence, and Sir Alfred Knox, brother of General Sir Harry Knox, who resigned his post as Adjutant-General to the Forces in accordance with the recently announced sweeping changes in the Army Council.

Mr. Belisha concluded his answer to a question, by expressing the Government's high appreciation of the long and distinguished service by the senior officers who had vacated their posts, especially their public spirit in vacating them to facilitate the changes.

Sir Alfred, in a supplementary question, suggested that the two distinguished members and officers had in effect been dismissed at a few hours' notice, and asked whether the Minister for Defence did not consider the 40 years which they might have continued to be valuable to the country in supplementing the knowledge which Mr. Belisha had been able to obtain in six months' acquaintance with the War Office.

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Mr. Belisha replied: "Perhaps Sir Alfred Knox has some acquaintance with facts which I do not possess. These officers retired to facilitate the promotion of younger officers."

Sir Alfred asked whether it was not true that they were asked to retire, Mr. Belisha having previously obtained the consent of the Cabinet to do so.

Mr. Belisha referred his questioner to the published statement made and authorised by the officers concerned. Another Member interposed and asked whether it was not a fact that the Minister's announcement was warmly welcomed throughout the entire country.

Sir Alfred afterwards told Reuter that his representations were made without the knowledge of the officers concerned.—Reuter's Special.

offices to other places of safety to carry on their duties.—Central News.

Japanese Supplies Pouring In

Nanking, Dec. 7. Four Japanese transports arrived in Shanghai yesterday and unloaded huge quantities of military supplies and army rations, which will shortly be sent inland to the Japanese forces now operating south of Taihu Lake and along the Nanking-Shanghai railway zone, according to foreign reports received here. Fleets of military lorries and motorboats were also unloaded on the Osaka Shosen Kaisha wharf.—Central News.

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DESPITE FALL IN SILVER PRICES

London, Dec. 6.

Despite lack of any extension in business the Stock Exchange market presented a good appearance, with Kaifeng to the forefront. Tin shares responded to an upward trend of metals, but Burma Corporations reacted on a sharp drop in the price of silver, which fell from 19 7/10d an ounce on Indian and speculative selling, owing to nervousness about the renewal of the international silver agreement of 1933. Commodities and wheat were steadier on reports of rain in the Argentine, and metals were firmer. Wall Street opened irregular.—Reuter's Special.

STOCK MARKET SUMMARY

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary, issued at 3.15 p.m. Monday, says:

Buyers

The market was very quiet. Hongkong Bank £20. Sandakan Lights £13. Cements \$12.20. Dairy Farms \$24. Watsons \$3.70. Wm. Powell, Ltd. \$0.75. Vibro Piling \$6.

Sellers

H.K. Fire Insurance \$255. China Lights (Old) \$11.60. Wallace Harpers \$6. Sales. Star Ferries \$81 1/4. H.K. Electric \$54 1/4.

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AT GATES OF NANKING

Shanghai, Dec. 7.

The war which started in Shanghai on August 13, entered its 117th day to-day with the Japanese forces virtually at the gates of Nanking, the capture of which city will mark the first entry of an invading foreign army in the whole of its long history.

Four columns of Japanese troops are converging on the city which suffered its 120th air raid by Japanese planes yesterday. The vanguards of one of these forces, according to unconfirmed Japanese reports, planted a banner of the Rising Sun on the Purple Mountain outside of Nanking, where the remains of Sun Yat-sen are interred.

The Japanese report a large-scale exodus of Chinese troops by junks across the river, but according to authoritative Chinese reports, General and Madame Chiang Kai-shek remain at Nanking.—Reuter.

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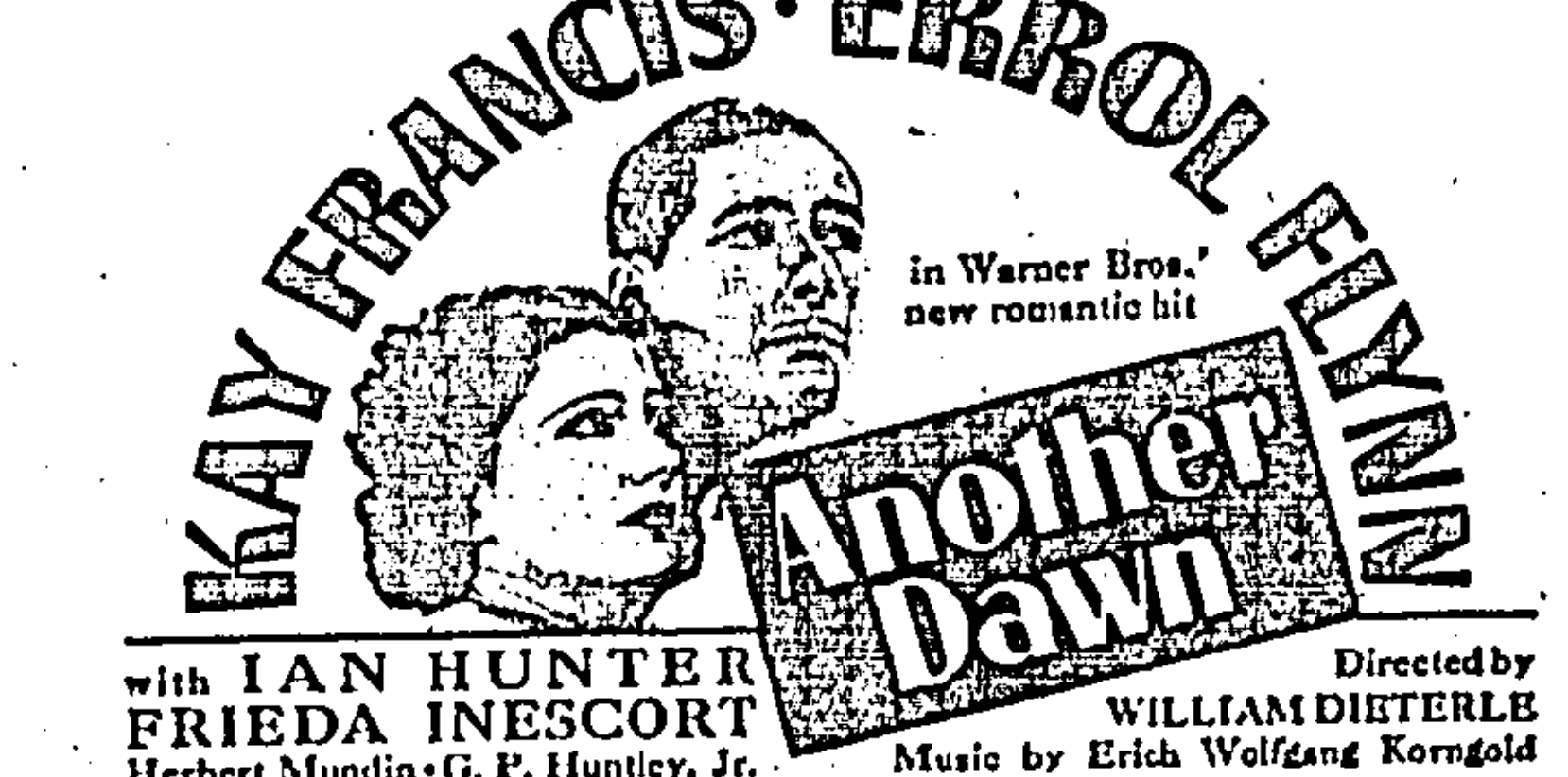


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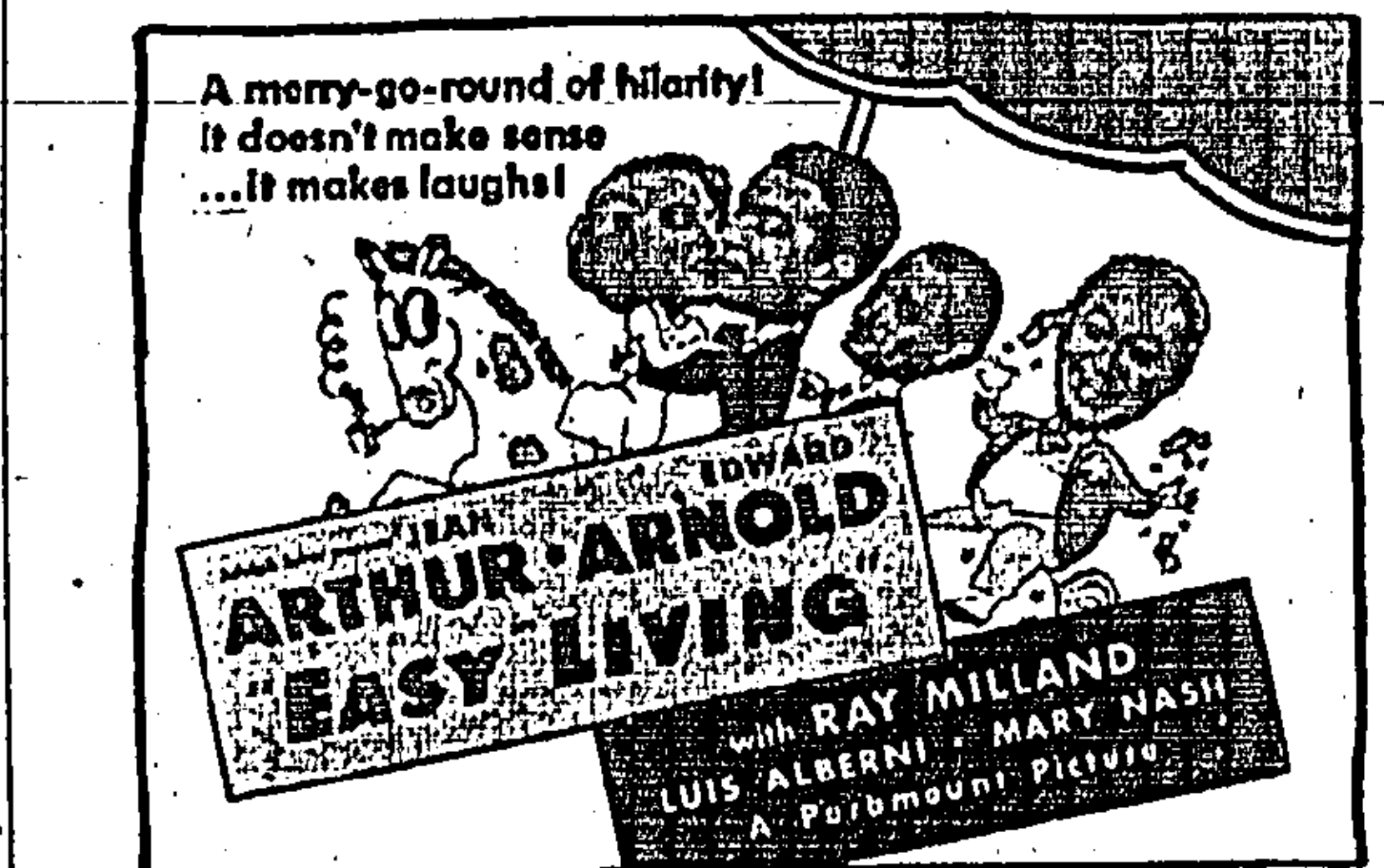
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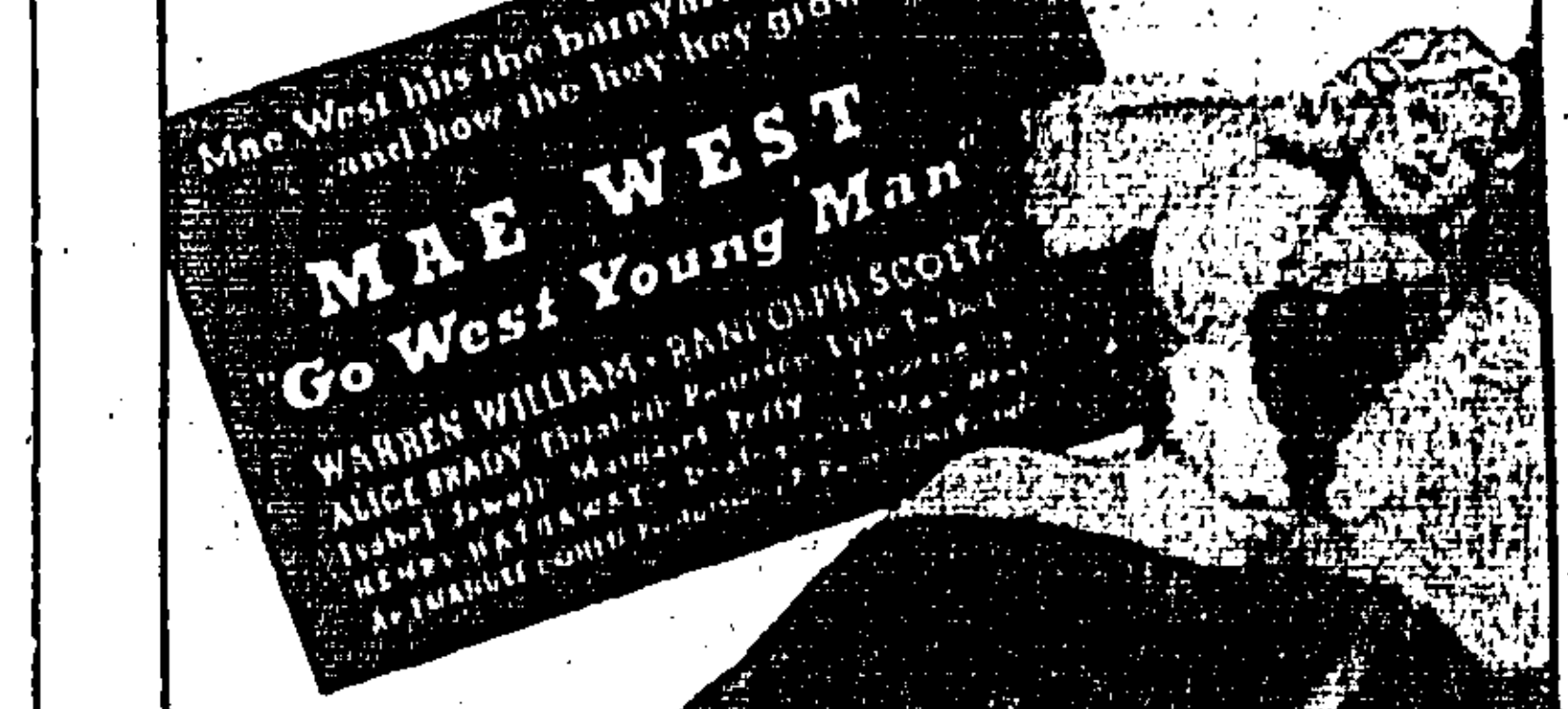
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But, alas! Nature plays strange tricks with the fashion-mongers. She has sent us a month of lovely Indian summer weather, and the fur coats are left hanging on the rail.

Summer days, though, do not last for ever, and I felt it my job to go round and hear the latest fur happenings.

"We've lost a month's trade," they told me in one great fur store. "We've got to catch up, so we are keeping the prices down, although pelts are everywhere dearer."

The three-quarter and long coats are the best "buy" for the future. Shaped on good straight lines, with an unusual collar—a Peter Pan is a favourite—soft sleeves, that are wide at the top and narrow from the elbow.

The linings are mainly satin, and soft browns are the favourite shades. Now for the actual furs themselves. I will describe three, or four I picked out at Swears and Wells, which will give you a basis of price guidance. For before buying a fur coat, make up your mind what amount you are able to spend and go for the best value.

To my mind a good marmot is much better than a poor mink. And if you can't afford squirrel, go for dyed flax musquash, which, by the way, attracted me quite a lot.

It is a lovely shade of brown, and is worked in narrow strips like squirrel, a very becoming fur.

I have seen it made up in the square-shouldered aviator style and Peter Pan collar, beautifully light but warm, for 12 guineas. Then a mink marmot swaggar can be purchased for the same price.

For really hard wear I know of nothing better than a natural western musquash, and was surprised to find a full-length coat in dark silky pelts for 21 guineas.

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Household Hints

TO remove grease stains from wall-paper place blotting paper over the stain and press a warm iron on it until the grease has become absorbed.

It is often difficult to make a paper pattern adhere to the material when you are cutting out. Place the paper pattern rough side down on the material to be cut, and press with a moderately hot iron. No pins will then be needed and the cloth will not wrinkle.

Cat and dog hairs on your clothes, cushions and chair-seats are most troublesome to remove by brushing. But they will all come out easily if you rub with a velvet pad. This removes every hair, yet they do not stick to the velvet.

Stains on glass flower-vases or water jugs can be removed by shaking a little vinegar and water in them.

To tie up parcels securely for the post, damp the string before using it. It will shrink as it dries and be much tighter than if used in the ordinary way.

Oranges are sometimes very hard to peel nicely. But if you soak them in boiling water for three or four minutes before peeling the white pith will come off easily, leaving the fruit perfectly clean and ready to slice.

Removing Tight Stoppers

Removing screw stoppers that have become stuck on bottles, often means hurt hands, and may even prove impossible. An easy way to tackle them is to hold them first under the hot and then the cold tap. Then grasp the stopper with a piece of sand-paper and unscrew. Once open, rub a little olive oil round the threads of the screw to prevent it sticking again.

You can easily prevent the jam from boiling out of a suet pudding, by spreading a thin layer of breadcrumbs over the mixture before spreading on the jam.

Here is an easy way to cure a dripping tap. Turn it on to its fullest extent and place a few drops of lubricating oil round the base of the handle. Then turn it off slowly.

Stamps which have been placed on the wrong envelope can easily be removed if a piece of wet blotting paper the same size is placed on the spot for a few moments.

You will find it easier to get a nice, clean edge when cutting out georgette, chiffon, and similar materials if you place your scissors in hot water for a few seconds before using them.

I. H.

Banishing Mud Splashes

WHEN a cloth coat is spotted with mud, dissolve a teaspoonful of carbonate of soda in a cup of water and sponge the marks with this solution until they have disappeared.

Press the coat on the wrong side with a hot iron. Spots on the hemline of elkskin and satin raincoats should be brushed off when quite dry and any remaining stains removed with soapy water.

Fine oatmeal, rubbed in with a clean rag, is excellent for removing mudstains from suede shoes; brush out with a wire brush. The best treatment for place kid shoes is a gentle sponging followed, when they are dry, by the usual polishing.

Mud stains on umbrellas which will not yield to brushing should be removed with a rub of methylated spirits.

M. B.

PARIS FASHIONS

SLEEVE-TOPS are changing. Many are gathered slightly into an "arm-eye," which is curiously placed at a low shoulder-line, but so gathered that a wide chest and shoulder effect is obtained.

The predicted long, tight "mitten" sleeve, which buttons the length of the wrist, is back once more, and the sleeves, which are hand-shirred, all over, are being seen a good deal.

There are a good many tight elbow ones, but nothing fussy, and belts waver between width and a narrowness so excessive that it suggests a shoe-string.

Some of the hats seen in Paris are more than a foot high and looked quite attractive on the mannequins who wore them.

The inverted collar turned up and flat and forming part of the neckline on the newest suits and coats, threatens to become a popular note. Of course, it is not really as casual as it looks, for it is cut and fitted.

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Choose one that gets a good share of sunshine at the time of day that you appreciate it. If you want cheering up in the morning, look for an "east room"; if you like brightness at your window in the evening, pick one that looks westward.

When you have settled in, do remember that each room in that converted house or block of flats is a self-contained home and ought to have all the privacy of a house with a garden and a sturdy front-door.

Do not develop the friendly but trying habit of popping in and out of your neighbour's room and allowing her the same freedom in yours.

If you make your own breakfast before going to business in the morning, be sure to rise in ample time to look a proper meal. Hurried cups of tea swallowed while you are dressing, burnt toast eaten as you are dashing out of the door, they'll only result in indigestion and bad temper.

Make your bed and tidy your room before you go out in the morning, even if it means getting up half-an-hour earlier. There is nothing more disheartening after a day's work than coming home to an untidy room.

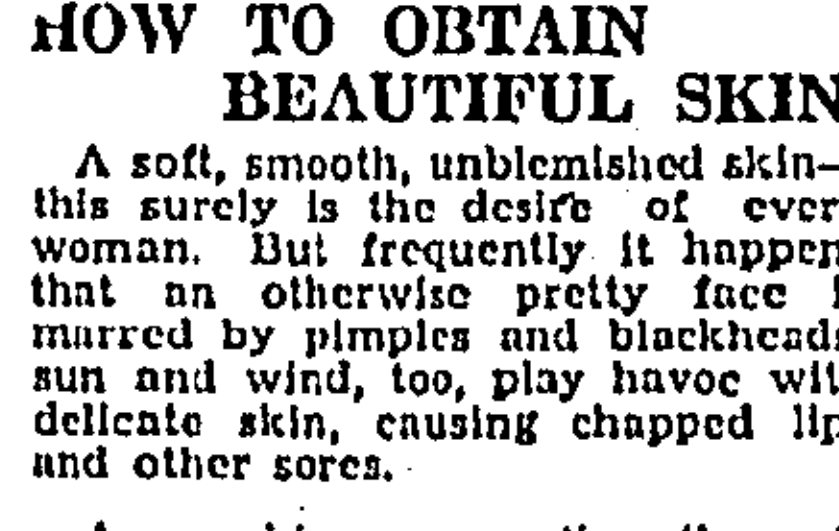
Besides, you never know whom you may meet on the way home and invite to call.

Don't develop the Old Maid habit of eating scrap meals with no food value and the minimum of cooking effort. Take an interest in food and your general health will reward you.

Pay all your bills, rent, gas, milk, and so on, regularly, and budget for food, clothes and entertaining on what is left. Keep an odd shilling or two in a secret cache against a rainy day, and you'll never need to worry.

Don't give too many parties, don't be noisy after ten o'clock, and don't do anything that might worry a nervous neighbour. Go easy on your radio late at night, and don't be too noisy in the bathroom.

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HOW TO OBTAIN BEAUTIFUL SKIN.

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Ingredients: 1lb. self-raising flour, a pinch of salt, 1lb. margarine, 1lb. sugar, 3 eggs, two tablespoonfuls of milk, 1oz. grated chocolate.

Beat the margarine to a cream with a wooden spoon, then add the sugar and grated chocolate. Add the eggs very gradually, also the milk and a few drops of vanilla essence. Mix with the flour, beating well. Pour into a baking tin and bake for 2 1/2 hours in a moderate oven. Regulo 4.

Almond Mixture
The nutty flavour of these makes them popular.
Ingredients: 3oz. ground almonds, 3oz. caster sugar, the whites of two eggs, a few drops of almond essence.

Beat the whites of the eggs until frothy, add the ground almonds and sugar, and the essence, then mix to a soft paste. Fill a forcing bag with the mixture, and pipe it on to rings of rice paper. Brush over with white of egg, and bake in a moderate oven until lightly browned.

Sugar and Spice
More expensive mixture, but much appreciated by the family.
Ingredients: 1lb. self-raising flour, a pinch of salt, 12oz. sugar, 6oz. margarine, the whites of three large eggs. A pinch of cinnamon, nutmeg and spice, 3oz. finely-chopped figs, 2oz. finely-chopped dates, 1oz. chopped glacé cherries, and a dessertspoonful of treacle. A little milk.

Sieve the flour and salt and add the chopped fruit and spices.
Beat the margarine well to a cream, add the sugar, and continue to beat for several minutes. Add the dry ingredients, the treacle and the milk. Fold in the stiffly-beaten egg whites.

Pour into a greased tin and bake in a moderate oven for an hour.

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Hongkong, 6th December, 1937.

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Hongkong, 1st December, 1937.

Stevedores Won't Handle Japan Goods

St. John, N.B., Dec. 6.

It is reported that the S.S. Duchess of Richmond is returning from Liverpool carrying 200 tons of Japanese goods, which stevedores have refused to handle. The ultimate destination of the goods is unknown. In the meantime 350 consignments of Japanese goods are at present in St. John warehouses destined for England.—United Press.

Britain Sells Many Planes

London, Dec. 6.

During the period from January 1936 to the end of October 1937, the total value of aeroplanes, engines, and other parts of United Kingdom manufacture exported from Britain was £3,551,000, according to a House of Commons answer.—British Wireless.

EMPLOYMENT HOLDING UP

London, Dec. 6.

The Ministry of Labour estimates that on November 15 insured persons in employment, exclusive of persons within the Agricultural scheme, totalled approximately 11,573,000, or 60,000 less than the month before, but on comparable basis 353,000 more than the year before.

At the same date the registered unemployed numbered 1,499,293, comprising 1,227,000 wholly unemployed, 216,800 temporarily laid off and 54,997 total was 108,954 more than the month before but on a comparable basis 698,954 more than the month before but on a comparable basis 698,954 less than the year before.—British Wireless.

ARGENTINA HONOURS BRITISH STATESMAN

London, Dec. 6.

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NANKING, LIKE DOOMED CITY, AWAITING ASSAULT

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tion for North China and other parts of the country.

The Yomiuri Shimbun adds that the imminent fall of Nanking "will mark a turning point in the Japanese military operations in China."—Reuter.

Japanese Vanguard Repulsed

Nanking, Dec. 7.

The small batch of Japanese vanguards who succeeded in reaching Tangshan in the suburbs of Nanking, creating a menace to the capital, was repulsed by the Chinese defending forces last night after a grim battle.

The Japanese withdrew to a point about six kilometres from Tangshan. The Chinese forces are cautiously pressing forward in an attempt to round them up within the shortest possible time.—Central News.

Determined To Resist

Shanghai, Dec. 7.

Despite the rapid Japanese advance against Nanking, the Chinese Supreme Command reaffirms its determination to defend the capital.

Meanwhile, Chinese forces stationed at Tangshan have withdrawn to Chinkiang, which is soon expected to be severely attacked. Practically all of the 30,000 inhabitants of the city have already evacuated.—Reuter.

At Gates Of Nanking

Shanghai, Dec. 7.

The war which started in Shanghai on August 13, entered its 117th day to-day with the Japanese forces virtually at the gates of Nanking, the capture of which city will mark the first entry of an invading foreign army in the whole of its long history.

Four columns of Japanese troops are converging on the city which suffered its 120th air raid by Japanese planes yesterday. The vanguards of one of these forces, according to unconfirmed Japanese reports, planted a banner of the Rising Sun on the Purple Mountain outside of Nanking, where the remains of Sun Yat-sen are interred.

The Japanese report a large-scale exodus of Chinese troops by skiffs across the river, but according to authoritative Chinese reports, General and Madame Chiang Kai-shek remain at Nanking.—Reuter.

Grim Battle Fought At Hsinfengchen

Nanking, Dec. 7.

How a hand-to-hand struggle in a grim battle with a much larger Japanese force at Hsinfengchen in

the vicinity of Chinkiang, was finally rescued by Chinese reinforcements, was revealed in a report received here to-day.

The Chinese troops who were sent out to patrol the countryside early in the morning encountered a Japanese force. Though outnumbered they were undaunted and immediately went into action.

A four-hour battle ensued during which the majority of the Chinese were killed. The rest, however, were determined to fight to the last man. Fortunately at this juncture, another party of Chinese patrols arrived and launched a surprise attack on the enemy who retreated, leaving behind 100 dead and three machine-guns.—Central News.

Shunhuachen Reduced To Ruins

Nanking, Dec. 7.

Shunhuachen, a rural town 15 kilometres south-east of Nanking, has been reduced to ruins as a result of Japanese mass air attacks yesterday.

No fewer than 300 bombs were rained on the town during seven raids. About 20 bombing planes participated in each raid.

A conservative estimate puts the approximate casualties at 200.—Central News.

Pukow Bombed By Japanese Planes

Nanking, Dec. 7.

Nine Japanese bombers, escorted by five pursuit planes, subjected Pukow, on the opposite side of the Yangtze River, to a severe bombing yesterday afternoon.

Several bombs landed in the vicinity of the railway godown where two big fires were started.—Central News.

Chinese Advancing On Chihshien

Linfen, Dec. 7.

Following a grim five-hour battle, crack Chinese forces from Pingyao are now advancing rapidly on Chihshien, important town 30 miles south-west of Taiyuan, the Shanxi provincial capital, a military despatch from the front states.

During the engagement, Japanese artillery and planes launched a joint attack on the advancing Chinese troops but were unable to check the onslaught. They finally withdrew to Chihshien where they are making preparations for another stand.—Central News.

Officials Ordered To Carry On

Hankow, Dec. 7.

All provincial governors, special administrative commissioners and district magistrates in the war zone have been ordered by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek to remain in their offices and carry on their work. Officials who leave their posts with-

THE YOUNG IDEA MIS-SHOOTS

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received the present of a Bible with no inscription in it, so to repair what she thought was an omission, she wrote on the fly leaf, "With the author's compliments."

As the child hears so many strange, abstract theological terms, it is not surprising that confusion sometimes results. A little girl had just joined the Sunday school, and the teacher asked her if she had been baptised. "Yes," she said, "I have been baptised three times, but it hasn't taken yet."

This story also illustrates how some of the time-honoured phrases used in church baffle the child's understanding. A little girl, in church for the first time, heard the minister announce the banns of marriage, concluding with, "This is for the third time of asking." With a natural feminine curiosity she puzzled over this phrase for a long time, and then she asked her mother, "Mummy, how did the minister know how many times the man had asked her?"

The Freudians, who are so adept at discovering unconscious motives and desires behind slips of the tongue, would probably shake their heads over this story. Two boys were arguing about the comparative advantages of their fathers' respective professions. "My father is a doctor," boasted one, "so I can be ill for nothing." "That's nothing," retorted the other, not to be outdone, "My father is a clergyman, so I can be good for nothing!"

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at instructions will be dealt with according to military law, the Generalissimo warned.

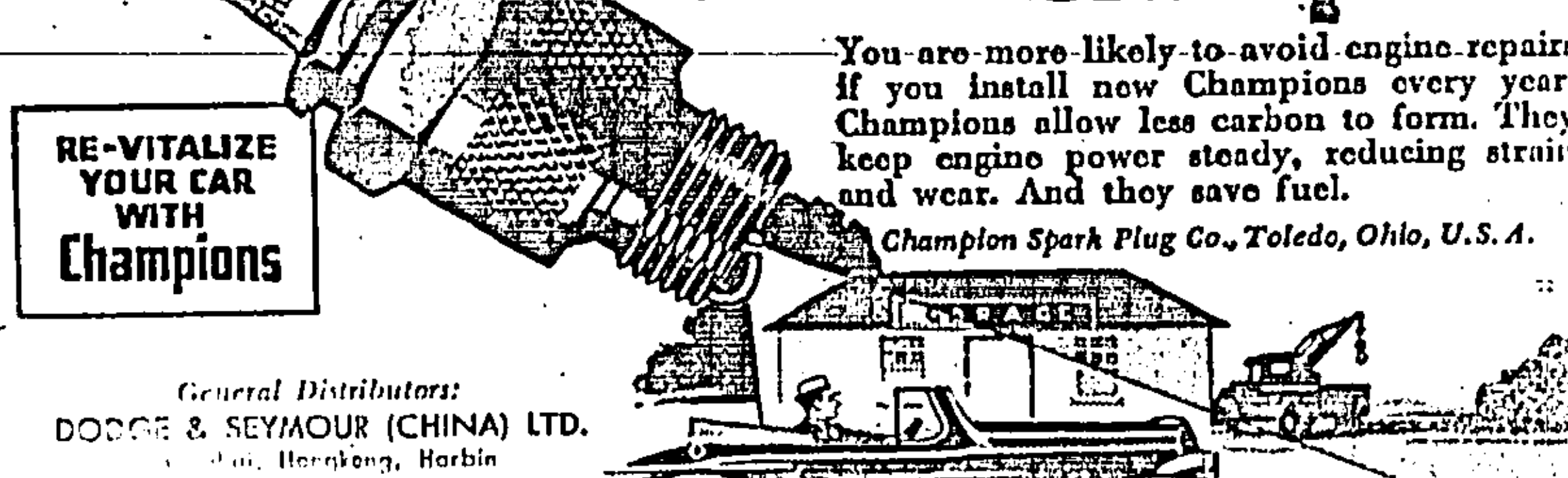
The circular instructs officials in areas which are threatened by hostilities or which have been occupied by the invaders to remove their offices to other places of safety to carry on their duties.—Central News.

Japanese Supplies Pouring In

Nanking, Dec. 7.

Four Japanese transports arrived in Shanghai yesterday and unloaded huge quantities of military supplies and army rations, which will shortly be sent inland to the Japanese forces now operating south of Taihu Lake and along the Nanking-Shanghai railway zone, according to foreign reports received here. Fleets of military lorries and motorboats were also unloaded on the Osaka Shosen Kaisha wharf.—Central News.

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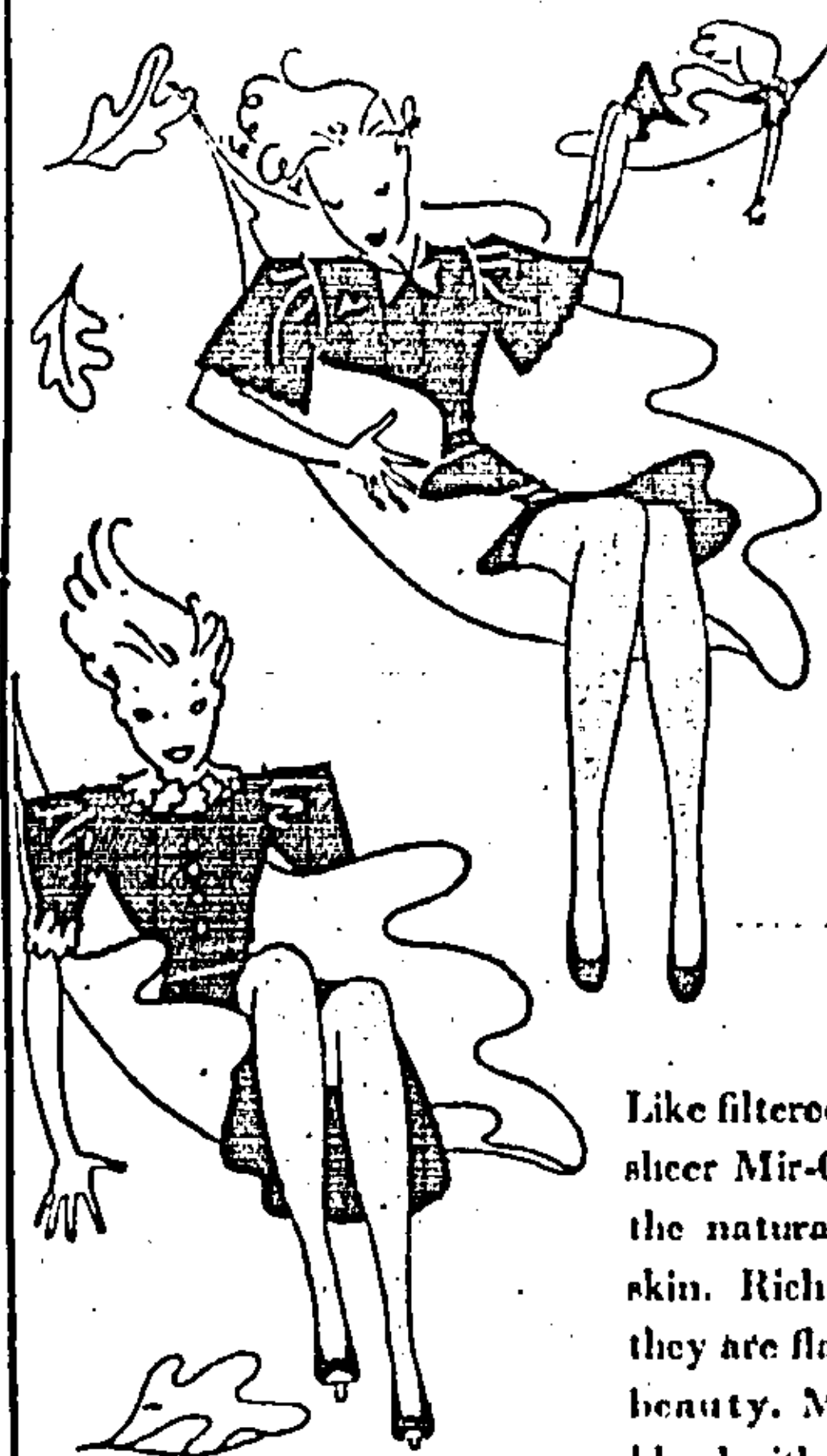
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DEATH

OZORIO.—At the St. Teresa's Hospital, at 2 a.m., on December 7, 1937, Lucy Knight Ozorio, the dearly beloved wife of Candido E. Lopes Ozorio. The funeral will pass the Monument at 5.15 p.m., to-day. (Shanghai and Macao papers please copy).

**The
Hongkong Telegraph.**

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1937.

DISTASTEFUL COMPLAINT

People who occasionally like to experiment at Chinese restaurants with the delicacies of an unusual cuisine have been embarrassed of late by groups of rowdy young men who, though usually friendly, are at times inclined to be quarrelsome and thoughtless, to say the least, of language used. An instance has been called to the attention of this newspaper by an American gentleman visiting here who complains somewhat bitterly of treatment received at the hands of some of these young men of the more boisterous element. They were undeniably Europeans, the persons of which this visitor complains, and there was good reason to believe that they were men from some battalion stationed here out for "a time" in mufti. No-one begrudges a soldier, sailor or civilian his moments of relaxation, and it is certainly not the intention to quarrel with the quite pardonable desire for a few pints with congenial company. But young men must learn that conviviality is often a prelude to conspicuous conduct and that when one's garb and bearing mark one as a member of His Majesty's forces it is as well to be cautious. Certainly there can be no excuse for insulting behaviour towards strangers; and even less chance can there be for pardon when the insult is followed by violence. Such a subject as this is obviously one of some delicacy, for there is no wish to direct criticisms where they are not merited. And there are really very few offences, so far as can be ascertained. It is therefore the purpose on this occasion to appeal to the more restrained and level-headed element to adopt an attitude towards unruly comrades which will discourage discourtesy to the general public and at the same time prevent aspersions being cast upon the good name of the services in general.

In this connection it is perhaps amusing to recall an incident which occurred in Shanghai during a period of unrest when a British soldier, in full uniform save for the lack of a cap, was making merry in a cafe with some friendly ratings from one of His Majesty's ships. At the height of the festivities a pair of lusty Military Police entered and beckoned the capless soldier to the door. A hush fell on the gathering and with it came a certain tension, and the capless one was heard to remark that the despised M.P.'s had come to

William Forrest

Describes The

LINE-UP

For The

SECOND

WINTER OF WAR

WE are waiting for zero hour. We have been waiting now for many days, not only here, on the Teruel front, but all along the 1,400-mile-long line of the Spanish war front.

The rebels have accumulated masses of fresh Italian material—cannon and cannon-fodder. With winter coming on, the big push, perhaps the biggest of the war, cannot be long delayed. But where will the hammer-blow fall.

Some say: Madrid. Why not? The fall of Madrid must remain the rebels' prime objective.

Others predict a rebel thrust from Teruel towards the coast, coinciding with a landing of Italians from Majorca, which would sever Barcelona from Valencia.

TERUEL is fairly quiet, too. From the Government positions on the surrounding heights I looked down this afternoon on the "martyr city" of the rebels, where the whole population lives in the cellars and the very dogs have learned to run for cover when the guns go off.

"What are the chances of a rebel push towards the coast?" I asked the divisional commander as we watched his batteries pounding the road from Saragossa, along which Teruel draws its supplies.

"Look at our positions," he replied with a sweep of his arm that embraced the whole panorama of towering crags and deep ravines.

"And look at our men," he added.

This front, on which so much may depend, is now held by the smart, disciplined new soldiers of the Republic. The Anarchist Columna de Hierro (Iron Column), which set out light-heartedly from Valencia at the beginning of the war to chase the Fascists from Teruel, is now but a memory. Some of the iron proved to be tin; the rest is now being forged into steel by the new Republican Army.

AS the two armies, rebel and Republican, line up for the autumn campaign, what are the prospects. After 450 days of war, who is winning?

To most people in Britain the question will seem superfluous. Why, Franco is winning of course. From Badajoz to Gijon, has not the whole war been a

take him back to "clink." One of the heartiest of the sailors thereupon admonished him, saying: "We could keep them here with us, Jock, and we could keep you, too. But the longer we keep you the harder it will be." The soldier took the hint and went like a lamb. And no doubt there have been instances when the Army has been able to do a similar good turn for the Navy. In any event the illustration serves the point. The good name of a regiment or a service is the responsibility of every individual belonging to it, in or out of uniform.

It would be a pity, indeed, if Hongkong should be forced to ask for protection for its guests against the very men who are its guardians.



succession of spectacular victories for his arms? But while the world looked on that is one way of looking at it—the juvenile history book rest of loyal Spain was forging the sword of retribution—the

At the outset of the war new Republican Army. In July, after preliminary "try-out" offensives on the Cordoba and Guadarrama fronts, the new Army struck its first major blow—Brunete. To meet the attack the rebels had to rush their main forces back to the Madrid front.

"We have given the first irrefutable demonstration of our offensive power," said General Miaja after Brunete; "but we have done more: we have forced the enemy to fight on a front where he did not want to fight."

AFTER Brunete—Belchite. Again the Republican Army struck swiftly and, strongly, this time on the Aragon front. Again the rebels lost ground; but whereas at Belchite they regained some of the lost ground, at Belchite they could recover none of it.

Carabanchel, Guadalajara, Brunete, Belchite—as names these cannot compare with Badajoz, Irun, Toledo, Malaga and Bilbao; but they are facts on which Republican Spain has built her confidence in ultimate victory.

The initiative is passing slowly to the Government. There are other factors in its favour.

If I want to go from the Teruel front to the Cordoba front I must infant Basque Republic perish—travel 370 miles. But if I were

1937:

The Republican Army

on the rebel side of the line I should have to travel 710 miles. Similarly, from Madrid to Granada—in Government territory, 290 miles; in rebel territory, 520 miles.

These "short cuts" will tell strongly in the Government's favour during a campaign which is likely to consist of a succession of surprise attacks on different fronts.

Consider, also, man-power. Franco's forces number approximately 400,000; the Government's 500,000. And Franco has already called to the colours two more classes of recruits than the Government has done; he has, in fact, exhausted the resources of conscription. And the supply of Moors is drying up. Adequate reserves can be found only in Italy and Germany. But—and this is Franco's dilemma—the more foreign troops he employs, the more starkly he reveals the real nature of the war—no longer a civil war between "two factions" (Sir Samuel Hoare's phrase) but an invasion of Spanish soil by foreign armies.

On the other hand, the reserves on which the Republic counts are entirely Spanish. The International Brigade has played its part. Never more than 15,000 strong, it has now shrunk to fewer than 10,000. Those who remain have been incorporated in the Spanish Army.

The International Brigade as such, no longer exists.

WITH the resources of

Italy and Germany to draw on, Franco can still boast a preponderating advantage in armaments. The Republic has created a war industry which grows stronger daily, but is still pitifully inadequate for the need of half a million fighting men pitted against the military machine of international Fascism.

Small wonder then that both in the Casa de Campo and here at Teruel the first question put to me was this: "When are they going to open the French frontier and let us have the arms?"

Thus, at the beginning of the second winter of the Spanish war, as at the beginning of the war itself, the issue lies in the hands of the two democracies, France and Britain, in whose interests as much as in their own hundreds of thousands of Spaniards have laid down their lives.

The Young Idea Mis-shoots

A YOUNG child's mind, eagerly grappling with all new experiences and information, has not the time to sort out properly the impressions that crowd in on it. As a result, the child's attitude to sacred things is sometimes humorously incongruous, though, of course, there can be no irreverence when the intention is absent.

The child is predominantly occupied with the exciting sense impressions he receives from the actual world, and consequently he is apt to bring sacred things down to the level of his own experience. Thus the boy who suggested that the reason why our first parents were forbidden to eat the fruit of one tree in the Garden of Eden was "because they were cooking apples" was probably relating this theological problem to an experience of his own.

Another child, on hearing for the first time the story of the Garden of Eden, missed the significance of the Fall altogether, and wanted to know in what kind of carriage Adam and Eve were "driven" out of the Garden.

One little boy took the story of the Flood too literally, or maybe he was precocious enough to have rationalist leanings.

The Sunday school teacher had asked her class how they thought Noah and his family had occupied themselves while they were waiting for the waters to subside, and she received the answer that they would spend much of their time fishing.

This little boy would have none of this. "Please, teacher," he said, "there were only two worms in the Ark."

The well-known riddle about the elephant being the last animal to leave the Ark because it had to stay behind to pack its trunk shows that children, to indulge their passion for this form of humour, draw from Biblical matters as naturally as from any other field of interest.

A little girl noticed that her father, who was an author, always suitably inscribed copies of his books before presenting them to his friends. On her birthday she

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Feeling Aroused by Wuhu Bombing

RECURRING INCIDENTS DISTURBING

Tension at Height Unequalled at Any Previous Period

London, Dec. 7. The bombing of the British ships at Wuhu on Saturday has brought the anti-Japanese feeling here to a tenseness unequalled so far in the conflict.

The incident followed closely after other causes of friction, firstly, the alleged threat that Hongkong might be brought into the area of hostilities; secondly, the reported Japanese demand for permission for their troops to march into the International Settlement at Shanghai at any time without previously notifying the Shanghai Municipal Council; Thirdly, the Japanese threats of "adequate action" in connection with last Friday's flag tearing incident in which a Briton was involved; Fourthly, the fear that the Japanese are likely to increase their demands for control in Shanghai as their troops approach Nanking.—United Press.

British Admiral Protests

Shanghai, Dec. 7. Admiral Sir Charles Little, C-in-C of the China Station, has sent a written protest to Admiral Hasegawa, in command of the Japanese fleet in Shanghai, concerning the Wuhu bombing.—Reuter.

DECLINE TO REVEAL PEACE TERMS

Tokyo, Dec. 7. It is authoritatively stated that Japan was never approached by a third party regarding the proposed good offices of mediation in the Sino-Japanese conflict. Nor was Japan informed by Germany regarding the activities of the German Ambassador, Dr. Oscar Trautmann, at Hankow and Nanking.

When questioned, a spokesman at the Foreign Office said that Japan would welcome the good offices of a third party, but had never requested any specific country to mediate in the conflict.

The spokesman declined to divulge Japan's peace terms, but declared that Japan's fundamental policy was simple and clear, namely that Japan demands that Nanking abandon her anti-Japanese policy, and instead shall pursue a policy of co-operation with Japan.

Questioned whether Japan would deal with the National Government, the spokesman said: "Certainly, Japan is ready to deal with any Chinese Government of China, whether it is the National Government or the Government of Chiang Kai-shek shall retain supreme power in China."—Reuter.

RECITAL OF SACRED MUSIC

Splendid Programme Offered

A concert of exceptional interest will be given next Wednesday evening in Kowloon, when a performance of sacred music will take place at 8 p.m. in the Church of St. Teresa, Prince Edward Road.

The programme will include choral and instrumental items. The choral part will be rendered by the well-known Little Flower Choir, specially augmented for the occasion. It will render extracts from Masses by Haydn and Mozart and from Verdi's *Stabat Mater* and Perali's "Resurrection of Christ." The solo parts will be taken by Miss N. Hyndman, Miss C. Silva, Mr. G. d'Aguiro and Mr. G. Simpson Thomson.

There will be solo solos by Mr. E. Pellengatti and two organ solos by V. Rov. Fr. Riganti, his own compositions, the first, a Fantasy on Haydn's "Cretion" and the second Interludio *Perpetuum*, suggested by some of the compositions of Lorenzo Perosi. The entire proceeds will be devoted to the Christmas fund for the poor of the parish.

URGES U.S. BOYCOTT

Detroit, Dec. 6. Mr. Homer Martin, American Labour leader, has urged parents not to purchase toys made in Japan. He said a boycott might mean bringing the Japanese people to their senses, and encourage them to rebel against the Government.—United Press.

JAPANESE WANT OWN CENSORS IN SHANGHAI

Foreign Companies Told Of Desire

Britain Consults Other Powers

London, Dec. 6. In the House of Commons to-day, the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, replying to Mr. A. C. Moreing, said he understood the Japanese authorities had informed the foreign cable companies in Shanghai they desire to replace the Chinese censors with nominees of their own.

It is understood that no such substitutes, in fact, are being effected. Meanwhile steps are being taken to consult with other governments concerned, added Mr. Eden.

With reference to the earlier discussion on the Far East situation in the House of Commons to-day, it was authoritatively emphasised that the British Government is fully determined to uphold British rights and interests, though obviously any action must await the result of investigation of circumstances.—Reuter.

POLAND FRIEND OF FRANCE

Definite Alliance For Stability Of Europe

Warsaw, Dec. 6. Many Franco-Polish differences of opinion are believed to have been removed, and there are no longer obstacles to co-operation between the two countries, as a result of the visit to Warsaw of M. Yvon Delbos, the French Foreign Minister, and his conversations with the Foreign Minister, Colonel Beck.

M. Delbos this morning received the Order of the White Eagle, the highest Polish decoration. Interviewed, he expressed his pleasure at the warmth of the welcome he had received, and said that the Franco-Polish alliance was no mere paper friendship, but a definite alliance for the stability of Europe.

M. Delbos lunched with M. Josef Beck, Polish Foreign Minister, after which both left for Krakow.—Reuter.

Warring On Business Recession

Washington, Dec. 6. A seven-point recovery programme was outlined by Mr. Henry A. Wallace, Secretary for Agriculture, in a radio talk this evening, in which he appealed for the co-operation of all sections of trade to bring about a co-ordinated drive against business recession.

He urged co-operation, firstly, in a revival of housing; secondly, by a revision of taxation to cure injustice but to maintain revenue; thirdly, the maintenance of farm purchasing power by an enactment to assure an ever-normal granary; fourthly, maintenance in the purchasing power of labour by the formulation of a sensible labour programme; fifthly, the assurance of an abundance of supply of cheap credit and capital by a healthy securities market with a view to encouraging increase in output and employment.

A sixth point was the provision of Government capital in case of need to carry the burden until private capital takes over. And finally he asked for continuance of a careful approach for a revival of world peace and world trade by a reciprocal trade programme.—Reuter.

ENTERTAINING AT MUSICAL

Students, friends, and alumni of the Shanghai, Nanking, Kuling, Hankow, and Hongkong Language Schools, conducted under the auspices of the Home Study Institute, are cordially invited to a tea at the Hongkong Language School, 303 Conduit Road, on Wednesday, December 8, from 4.30 to 6.30 p.m.

A special feature will be marimba and vocal solos by Mrs. R. H. Hartwell of Shanghai and Mrs. C. E. Wimer of Canton.

RUSH TO UNLOAD SILVER

Indian Speculators Sell In Panic

Fear Chinese Liquidation

London, Dec. 6. Alarmed lest the 1933 silver agreement should not be renewed and frightened at the possibility of China being forced to liquidate her huge London stocks of silver, Indian speculators rushed to sell to-day.

Most of the selling orders, however, had a limit of 10 pence and when the price fell below this they were consequently withdrawn, so that business was at a fixed level, only moderate sale at the best orders, being absorbed by "bear" covering.

After the fixing of the price, the market was very quiet. Sellers were most reserved and many were of the opinion that the fall was overdone, pointing out that the United States has too large a stake in silver to allow the world price to sink much lower.—Reuter.

LOWEST SINCE MAY 1934

London, Dec. 6. Silver prices reached the lowest level since May 1934 here to-day. The decline came with apprehension over the expiration of the United States Silver Act and the pact with London.

Traders say that it is impossible to gauge the market's future until the United States gives some indication of its policy or India discontinues selling.

The British Treasury has made no comment on the silver question. Many quarters believe that the break was induced by fear that the London agreement will not be renewed. It is understood that the United States Treasury is still paying 45 cents per ounce for foreign silver. Also it is understood that the U.S. Treasury favours the revision of the silver programme on the grounds that it is too expensive. However, it is expected that President Roosevelt will accede to the western demand to extend the programme in his proclamation at the end of this year.—United Press.

Imperial Preference Maintained

Dominions Minister Gives Assurance

London, Dec. 6. There is no question of the abandonment of the principle of practice of Imperial Preference, declared Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Secretary for the Dominions, referring to the Anglo-American trade negotiations.

He said: "We shall keep in close touch with the Dominions and other parts of the Empire concerned."—Reuter.

"PROPER SCOUNDREL" CURBED

Young Sikh Plays Foolish Part

Described as a "proper scoundrel," a young Sikh, Gajjan Singh, 23, unemployed motor driver, appeared before Mr. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning, charged with assaulting Abdullah Khan, shop-keeper, at No. 7 Landale Street.

Khan said that about 7.30 p.m. yesterday, Singh entered his restaurant, and demanded food, but Khan asked him to wait a while. Singh apparently got angry, seized a plate and struck Khan over the head with it.

Crown-Sergeant J. S. Hiddell asked his Worship to take a serious view of the assault, as accused was well-known to the police and was "a proper scoundrel."

Singh was fined \$10 with the alternative of a month's hard labour.

KING GEORGE GOES SHOOTING

London, Dec. 6. The King went shooting to-day in Windsor Forest with a number of friends. The party included the Earl of Athlone.

The Earl and Countess have been guests of the King and Queen at the Royal Lodge during the week-end. The weather was cold and fine.—British Wireless.

RADIO BROADCAST

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Radio Programme Broadcast by Z.B.W. on wavelengths of 355 metres (845 k.c.s.) 31.40 metres (9.52 m.c.s.). 4.00-7.00 p.m. Chinese Programme. 7.00 Dance Music. Fox-Trot—In A Little English Inn; Waltz—Sailing Home With the Tide; Jack Jackson and His Orchestra; Fox-Trot—All Alone in Vienna; Everything You Do... Billy Bisset and His Orchestra; Everybody Dance (from the film); When the Poppies Bloom Again... Jack Payne and His Band; Slow Fox-Trot—Gypsy Violin; Tango—Caramba... Mantovani and His Tipica Orchestra; Waltzes—Throw Open Wide Your Window; Espana Waltz... Sydney Kyrle and His Piccadilly Hotel Band. 7.30 Closing local Stock Quotations and Hongkong Exchange Market Report.

Variety. Vocal—1. Want To Be A Nudist; The Wedding Of A Gigolo (Pola, Nesbitt and Walker)... Eddie Pola with Orchestra; Dance Orchestra—Favourite Favourites, No. 3—Fox-Trot Medley... The Ballyhoolligans; Duet—A Little White Room (Floodlight—Nichols)... Frances Day and John Mills; Vocal—Artificial Flowers (Floodlight—Nichols)... Frances Day (Soprano); Organ—Popular Melodies—No. 3... Harold Ramsay. 8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements. 8.05 Turner Layton (Vocal and Piano).

When My Mammy Smiles (M. Hodges); I Feel Like A Feather In The Breeze (film "The Charm School"); It's Great To Be In Love Again (Koehler and Mellough); A Waltz Was Born In Vienna (Crocker and Loeck). 8.15 London Relay—"Wheels".

A programme by Jonquil Antony... and ever goth the whole about... Production by Pascoe Thornton.

8.45 Studio—Puccini recital by Francesca Denies (Soprano) accompanied by Luba Shafstain (Piano). 1. "La Boheme"—Donde lieta; 2. "Gianni Schicchi"—O mio babbino caro; Piano Solo by Luba Shafstain; Dances Espagnoles (Granados); 3. "Tosca"—Vissi d'arte; 4. "Manon Lescaut"—In quelle trine morbide. 9.15 London Relay—Stars of Variety.

9.30 London Relay—The News. 9.50 Light Symphony Orchestra. Mannin Ween (Haydn Wood); Shepherd's Song; Rondel; Mina; Like To The Darnak Rose (Elgar, arr. Haydn Wood); Homage March; Concert Waltz—Joyousness (Haydn Wood).

10.15 London Relay—The R. B. C. West of England Singers. In Traditional Songs and Folk-Songs of the West Country. Richard of Taunton Dene (arr. J. Williams). No John; Strawberry Fair (arr. Vaughan Williams). Widdicombe Fair (Trad.). High Germany (arr. R. O. Morris).

10.30 London Relay—"Intermission". A programme of novelty numbers and solo pieces. The B.B.C. Variety Orchestra; Leader, Frank Cantell; Conductor, Charles Shadwell; Comper, Bryan Michie.

10.55 London Relay—Oxford v. Cambridge.

A running commentary on the Inter-University Rugby Union Football Match by H. B. T. Wakelam from Twickenham. (By courtesy of the Rugby Football Union).

11.45 Close Down.

Deliberate Death Leap

A young Chinese, Ng Chun-fun, 19, plunged to his death from an upper floor of the China Emporium Building about 10.45 p.m. yesterday. Enquiries made by the police revealed that the man was an assistant employed in the Tai Chung Wah hat-shop, 379 Queen's Road Central. He had apparently contemplated suicide, as a letter was found in his pocket indicating his intention of taking his life. He went into the China Emporium and jumped to his death in Stanley Street, which is to the rear of the building.

ENTERTAIN CHILDREN

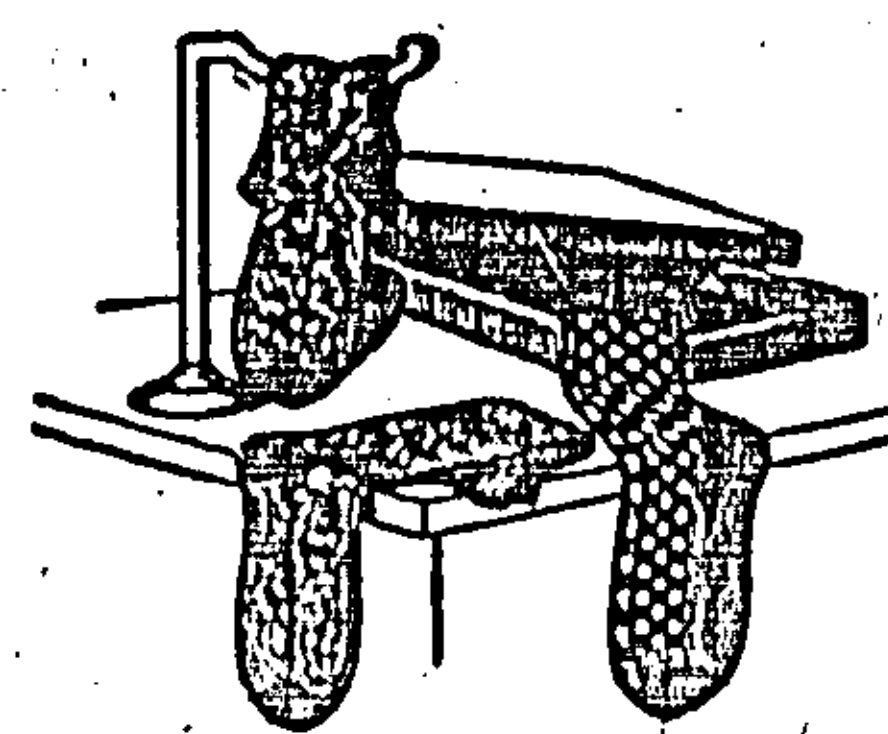
The Christmas season was ushered in when the R.A.O.B. (G.L.E.) Club held the annual Tree and Tea on Sunday.

The date was brought forward in order that the children leaving by the Dilwara would not be disappointed. Considerable amusement was caused by the novelty prizes given to the "good" boys and even Santa Claus got something.

The success of the day was due to the hard work, keenness and untiring energy of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hills and Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Elliot, Mr. Chapman and Mr. Lutard who played the part of Father Christmas.

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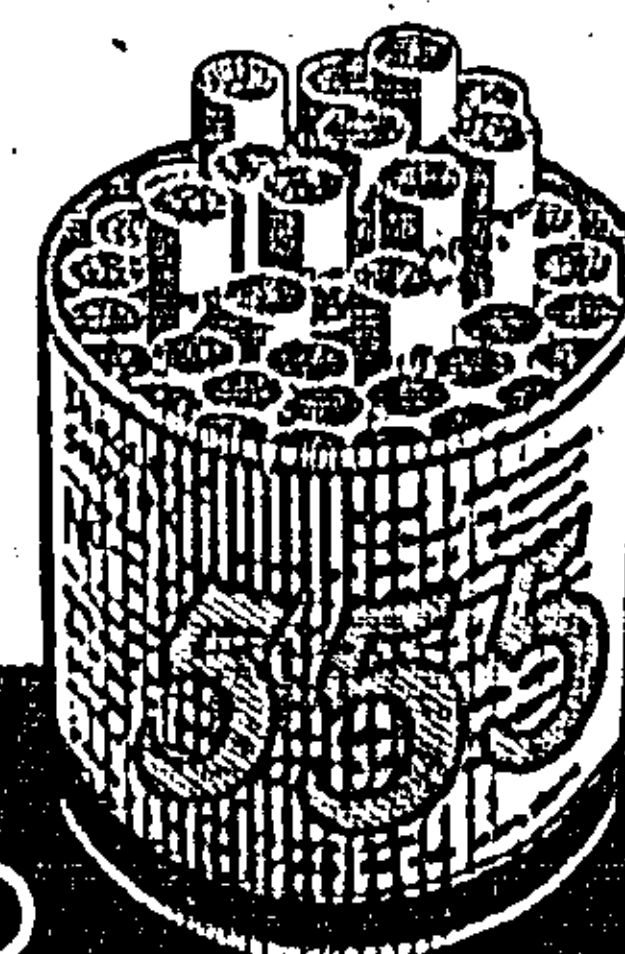
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(By "Abe")

Hopes that the annual Interport football match between Hongkong and Shanghai may yet be held despite the uncertain conditions in the north were dashed yesterday when the Council of the Hongkong Football Association, at its monthly meeting, decided that, everything considered, a team should not be sent up to Shanghai at the beginning of the new year.

The unsettled conditions in the northern city at the present time were not the only reasons why the Council came to the conclusion that sending a team north was inadvisable. There was also the difficulty of getting together a really representative team. It was understood that many Chinese players would not be available, and furthermore it was doubtful whether selected military men would be able to obtain leave to make the trip to Shanghai in view of the present political tension.

Apart from these considerations, another obstacle—perhaps the greatest one—is that the local Association would find it hard to finance a team to Shanghai in view of the fact that gate receipts this season have been exceptionally poor. Not for a great many years have attendance at important matches been so disappointing.

Estimates by the Treasurers of receipts from all the season's big matches have been more optimistic than correct because they have been based on the figures of previous seasons. The actual takings by the end of the season, it was felt, would be definitely lower than the estimates unless attendances at the International and Lal Wai Cup matches improved considerably; and even assuming that the estimates were correct, the expense of sending a team north at a probable cost of \$5,000 would be too much for the Association coffers to bear.

NO HELP FOR IT

It is to be regretted that such a decision has been reached, but it will be generally appreciated that in the circumstances there is no help for it. If the reason for this decision was merely that Hongkong was unable to send its strongest team north, I would be one of the first to deplore it. But I know for certain that this is not so. Shanghai at the beginning of this year sent down what appeared on paper at least to be about the weakest side for many years. Even the most optimistic Shanghai supporter had to admit that the side was a poor one; yet they came down, fully expecting and expected to be "slaughtered." I am

Accrington Wins Second Replay

London, Dec. 6. The second replay between Accrington and Lancaster in the first round of the English F.A. Cup, decided to-day, ended in a win for the former team by four goals to nil. The game was played at Preston.—*Reuter.*

LARWOOD PATCHES UP WITH NOTTS

Contract To Be Signed Soon

London, Dec. 6. The authorities of the Nottinghamshire County Cricket Club announced that their differences with Harold Larwood, the famous Notts and England fast bowler, are now settled.

They state that a three-years' contract satisfactory to both sides, will be signed by Larwood in the next few days.

An official statement issued by the Secretary of the Nottinghamshire County Cricket Club last August stated that Larwood following a resolution of the Committee had been suspended for the remainder of the season for a breach of discipline. It was alleged that he declined to practise when requested to do so by the Club authorities.—*Reuter.*

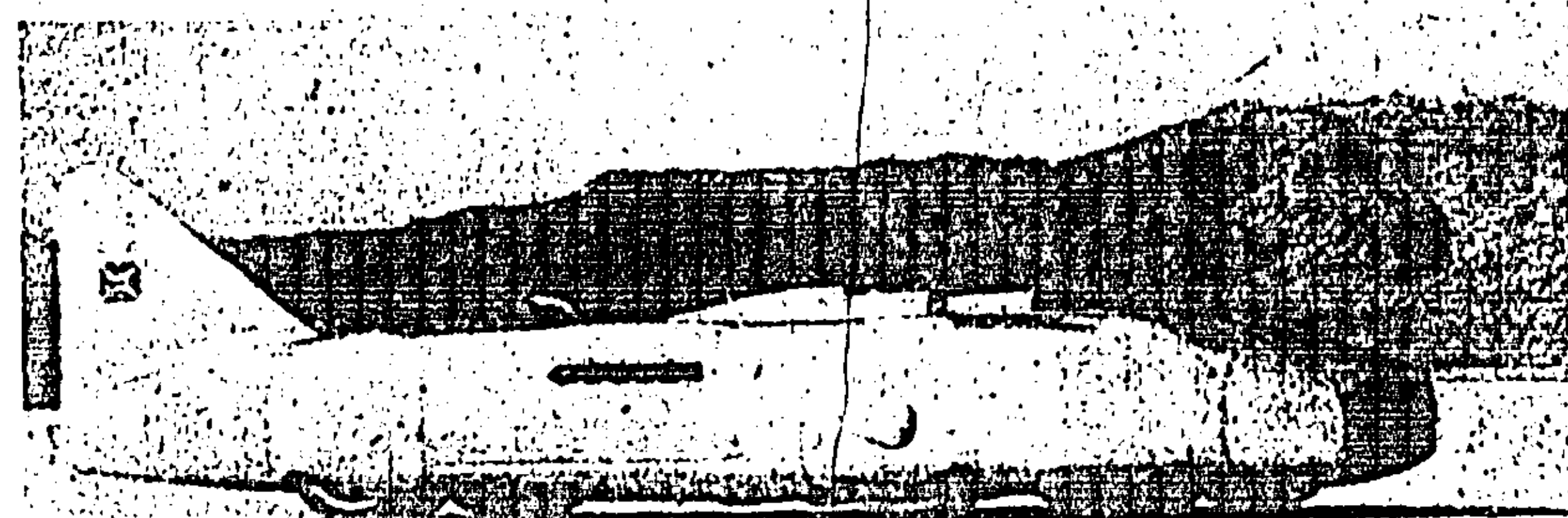
sure that if Hongkong ever found itself in the same predicament, it would not fail to emulate the splendid example of Shanghai. Of course, whether it would upset all calculations as the last Shanghai team did is another question altogether.

A suggestion made at the meeting was that the Hongkong F.A. should ask Shanghai to come down, but this was quickly ruled out. If Hongkong were to invite Shanghai to send a team here, the latter would naturally want to know whether we were prepared to pay all expenses; and the main obstacle—finance—would still be unresolved.

RELIEF TO SHANGHAI

Taking it all round, I feel that the decision reached last night was perhaps the most sensible one. Speaking from a purely personal point of view, I think it may be a relief to Shanghai that we are not going up. A recent communication from the north expressed the pleasure of the Shanghai F.A. that we had provisionally accepted the usual invitation to send up a team and that they would be pleased to entertain us if the situation, when the time of the Interport arrives, warrants sending a representative Hongkong team to Shanghai. It would appear, therefore, that even Shanghai was uncertain.

In any case, I am sure our northern friends appreciate our position and forgive us. The only consolation to be derived from the situation is that the postponement of the 1938 contest will make our next meeting with Shanghai all the more keener when it comes round.



THE FASTEST THING ON EARTH
This fish-like object is the 6,000 horsepower racing car of Capt. George Eysen who recently drove it at the phenomenal speed of over 310 miles per hour across a stretch of Utah's salt flats on which it is pictured above. Capt. Eysen hopes to attain a speed of 400 m.p.h.

IS LEAGUE CRICKET NECESSARY TO KEEP GAME ALIVE?

"R. ABBIT" SAYS—"YES"

There has been a good deal of discussion for many years past as to the question of whether there is a real need for League Cricket to keep the game really alive in the Colony or not. The answer to some extent is that it depends on the circumstances connected with each particular Club. Personally I am quite satisfied that the vast majority of Clubs, and I would only except the Navy, Army and H.K. Club, prefer League cricket and would very definitely be the worse off if it did not exist. Indeed, I have progressed to the stage when I would like to see home and away games played in each Division, except perhaps in Interport seasons when probably single games only could be managed in the first Division.

If the date of the Interports is to remain the same it would be interesting to see if the First Division teams could get in double fixtures when the Interport is in Shanghai. When the game is played here it is not packed up until the middle of November and that is too late, I fancy, to permit of the two fixtures.

These remarks have been largely prompted by the experiences of the past three weeks though admittedly the question of camp complicates matters still more. But among all this consideration of League and non-League games there is one fact that sticks out a mile and that is that the most enjoyable cricket we get here is the all day match or two day match—for choice the Sunday games. There are usually quite a number at the K.C.C., generally later in the season I fancy—and the Navy have been playing very regularly at King's Park this season. Usually a team gathered up by Payr, Lieut-Commr. Nicholson.

A PLEASANT ADVENTURE

It was to King's Park that I wended my way on Sunday morning after a regretful parting with my sweet peas which seem determined to blossom earlier than they should. And there I found a very cheerful party, some interesting cricket and some drinks in serious ranks. I did however manage to form some idea of the game.

Nicholson won the toss and sent in Captain Allen, who I believe had played a good deal of cricket in Colombo, and Skelton. A. R. Abbas and Souza were not bowling so badly but the batsmen did not appear to be in any difficulties. Allen made the most of a fine reach and hit the ball very hard—I saw one to which he played back forced to the boundary on a very straight bat. He was playing much better than he had done on Sunday last and was hooking and pushing the ball away to leg very nicely, as well as bringing off his square cut quite a bit.

At 44 Luke went on and off his first ball Allen gave Gray a simple catch at first slip. (44-1-20). With Whitmarsh in Skelton broke up and there was some sharp running as well. In fact one unkind person suggested that Skelton was trying to get his own back for his run-out last week. I don't believe it for a moment, but it made me positively die of thirst to see the desperate exertions of the two batsmen and, but for a thoughtful friend who summed the No. 1 boy to be our Ganymede, my corpse would probably have been discovered later when they started to dig the foundations of the new pavilion they have got marked out.

A DIDAPPER

Mackay had one over before lunch and his first ball came to Skelton second bounce. He hit it for four through the covers but it was not so far off being a chance! Just before he had been clean bowled by a no-ball but the umpire had called it so promptly that Skelton had time to change his defensive shot into an attempt to sweep it round for four. The score at lunch was 01 for 1 wicket.

ket with Skelton 46 and Whitmarsh 15, both not out.

One of the charms of cricket is that it seems to encourage one so heartily in the good-fellowship of the luncheon interval. Somehow or other the jumper has an even better flavour than usual. While, speaking of yesterday, I never quite realized before how perfectly sausage rolls, cold beef, yellow pickles—(I sneaked all the cauliflower)—and beer go together, a sort of gentle mingling of different motifs into one grand sweet song if you take what I mean.

FREE HITTING

After a generous hour the game was resumed and the batsmen started to force the pace—very correctly of course though a bit hard on the gallant officer who had taken odds on Whitmarsh making a century. At 117 Skelton who had completed his fifty very well caught by one of the MacNiders—I think S. but I won't swear to it. Brokenshire who had been keeping quite well got a rather nasty smack on the left cheekbone which not only broke the skin but raised a large bump. Consequently he could hardly be blamed for missing two big ones at extra cover from Whitmarsh—as he could hardly see the ball which in each case went over his head. Mackay took his place behind the stumps. The batsmen began to inch out recklessly and though Whitmarsh completed his half century, MacNider made another good catch to put him out for 35 and bang went a dollar! Walters got a few but three cheap wickets fell and round about half past three Nicholson declared at 177 for seven wickets.

THE PRESS BAT

The Press bat quite a good start with A. R. Abbas and A. H. Rumjahn. By the way it occurs to me that Rumjahn has been playing cricket longer than anyone actually playing now except T. E. Pearce, G. R. Sayer and E. W. Hamilton, the two latter of whom have, I believe, ceased to play except perhaps in the Varsity game. However, I do not state this in any way positively. I know Rumjahn was playing in 1914 when I turned over to cricket from Rugby. He made 20 on Sunday before Allen got one past his defence and things went quite nicely as 50 for 1 wicket was posted. However at 50 Souza, who had been quiet, completely failed to see—or get hold of—one from Rumjahn (is there an 'e' at the end?) and was caught at backward short leg as he mislaid it about twenty feet into the air to give a simple catch. (50-2-0). Tea was then taken and with an hour and a half to go, perhaps anyone's match—except for the fact that the Press had a bit of a tilt!

Just after the resumption however there was an unfortunate misunderstanding between Abbas and Y. el Arcull which led to the former being run out easily. He had appeared to be well set and things might have gone very differently but for this disaster. However Arcull hung on and it looked as if the Press would even now draw the game when

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Badminton Programme Disorganised No Matches In "A" Division

The Badminton League programme yesterday evening was completely disorganised. Of the three "A" Division ties originally fixed, not one was played; instead one match in the Mixed Doubles and one in the "B" Division were decided.

Rather surprisingly, University lost to Kowloon Tong. Admittedly the undergraduates did not field their full side, but Miss J. Anderson and K. L. Yung, and Miss J. Choa and P. K. Hui are regular members. Miss Anderson and Yung managed to take two games but Miss Choa and Hui could claim only one. The third pair, Miss Ghows and T. F. Yung, lost all three. Kowloon Tong's victory was made all the more comfortable by the splendid form of A. W. da Rosa and Mrs. A. E. H. Castro, who won all their games.

"B" DIVISION
Chinese R.C. players were too well-balanced to be unduly worried by St. Andrew's in the "B" Division and won by seven games to two.

MIXED DOUBLES

Kowloon Tong beat University 6-3 in the mixed doubles Badminton League last night.

A. W. da Rosa and Mrs. A. E. H. Castro beat Miss Anderson and Yung 2-1; K. L. Yung and P. K. Hui beat Miss Ghows and T. F. Yung 2-1; K. S. Ko and Mrs. A. W. da Rosa lost to Miss Anderson and K. L. Yung 2-1; Miss Choa and P. K. Hui lost to Miss Ghows and T. F. Yung 2-1.

C.R.C. v. ST. ANDREW'S
In the "B" Division St. Andrew's "B" lost to Chinese Recreation Club 7-2.

C. Y. Yung and H. W. Ho (C.R.C.) beat K. L. Kirby and J. P. Dawson 21-8; beat F. H. Stokes and S. A. Broadbridge 21-13; beat M. Weill and H. Millington 21-8; Dawson 21-8; beat Stokes and Broadbridge 21-13; beat Weill and Millington 21-7.

P. F. Choy and Y. P. Tsui lost to Kirby and Dawson 23-20; beat Stokes and

SUBSIDY GRANTED BY JAPAN For Olympic At Tokyo

Tokyo, Dec. 1. Setting at rest fears that Japan would withdraw her invitation to hold the XIIIth Olympiad at Tokyo because of the current emergency, the Government to-day approved a subsidy of ¥4,300,000 for the Olympic track and field events.

The Cabinet further promised to consider the request for the appropriation of additional funds for staging the winter Olympiad at Sapporo.

Of the sum already approved, ¥750,000 will be granted to the Olympic Preparatory Committee for its expenses next year. The sum was included in the estimates of the Ministry of Education, but it is expected to be shifted to the accounts of the projected Ministry of Health and Social Welfare.

No decision has yet been made by the Cabinet regarding the requested appropriation for Japan's participation in the Far Eastern Track and Field Olympiad.—*Donnel.*

AMBULANCE CUP SWEEP

Holders of tickets are reminded that the race for the above named Cup will be run off at Fanling on Dec. 10, 1937.

Tickets which are not returned by the end of the current week will be advertised as "Cancelled". Tickets may be purchased for cash at St. John Headquarters, Tai Hang Road, Causeway Bay.

WALK OVER GIVEN

The match between the University "A" and "B" teams was not played, the latter conceding a walk-over. The match between King's College and St. Andrew's was postponed.

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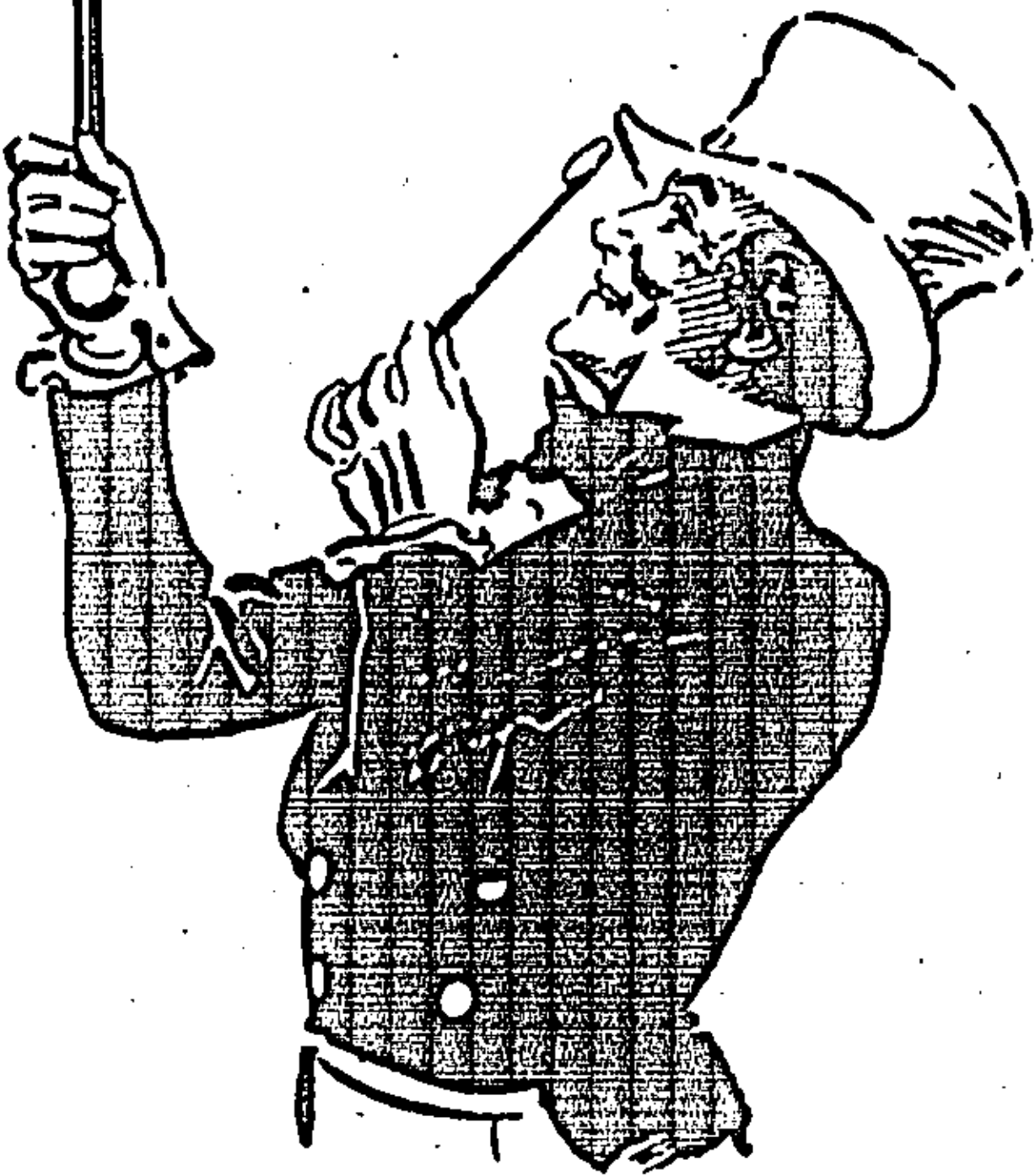
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LOCAL RUGBY

Club To Meet Navy On Saturday

There will be a game of Rugby Football on the Club ground at Happy Valley on Wednesday, December 8, commencing at 4.45 p.m., when the Club "A" XV will meet a Navy team drawn from H.M.S. Tamar and Herald. The Club side has been selected as follows:

M. W. MacGrath; H. van Leeuwe; D. B. Nelson; E. M. Watts; L. Lammert; D. Hynes; J. R. Henderson; R. G. Geer (Captain); T. H. Pratt; R. G. L. Oliphant; B. Hynes; Dr. Stout; R. Leigh; W. Stoker and J. C. Miller.

TRIANGULAR TOURNAMENT

The second game of this season's Triangular Tournament series will take place on the Club ground at Happy Valley at 4 p.m. next Saturday, December 11, when the Club will meet the Navy. Last Saturday, the Army met the Navy and were decisively defeated. In the three friendly matches which have preceded next Saturday's match, the Navy have been successful, though by narrow margins only in two matches. This season they are fielding a well balanced side. An excellent pack give the backs plenty of opportunities, of which the latter are not slow to take advantage, playing a pretty type of open football, with the ball passing rapidly from player to player. If the Club forwards can hold the Navy pack, and give their own backs a fair share of the ball, equally fast and open movement will be seen from the Club. It is hoped that both sides will be at full strength for the match, when spectators at Happy Valley will enjoy watching a fast, open and keenly contested game, with the Club all out to avenge previous defeats and the Navy endeavouring to emphasise their superiority.

DUE FOR STIFF PUNISHMENT

"The offence you have committed is a serious one. As long as I am on the Bench I am determined to stop it," said Mr. R. Edwards, at the Central Magistracy this morning, when Lau Chi, 36, unemployed, was brought before him on a charge of snatching a handbag from Miss Wong Sui-chun.

Sub-Inspector Armitt said that about 2.30 p.m. yesterday Miss Wong was walking in Queen Victoria Street, when defendant came from behind and snatched the bag which she was carrying in her left hand. She shouted out and a constable, who heard the alarm, intercepted defendant.

Defendant, who had a previous conviction, was remanded for 24 hours to be medically examined to find whether he was fit for a caning.

Y.M.C.A. ROOM BURGLED

Two residents of the European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, reported the loss of property from their room to the police yesterday. Mr. F. Norris missed a note book containing \$150 and private papers, while Mr. F. Goodall, who shares the room, lost a wallet containing \$27.

CRICKET NOTES BY "R. ABBIT"

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Mackay settled down. But later there was a quick change. I had noticed that Arculli was going down the wicket to get to the pitch of the ball and then he missed one and Skelton had the balls off in a flash—a smart bit of stumping. But worse was to come. Gray who has made quite a lot of runs this year, played back to his first ball and was 'bowled'—he would probably have stopped it all right if he had come right out to 11. Luke only got a single while Omar was splendidly thrown out from cover-point by Cotman.

There was little if any chance of a draw and what there was vanished when Mackay got all tied up with one from Whitmarsh and gave a high chance at fine leg which Walters had plenty of time to reach. The last men just managed to send up the hundred but the sword (or should I say the telescope?) was mightier than the pen by seventy three runs. A most enjoyable game and a delightful day.

FOUND STOLEN GOODS; GETS PRISON TERM

Stopped by District Watchman No. 17 while riding in a ricksha along Des Voeux Road on Sunday, Lo Ki, 32, unemployed, admitted that the roll of cloth which he was carrying was picked up in Hillier Street and did not belong to him.

Brought before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning, Lo was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour on a charge of larceny by finding.

It was stated by Sub-Inspector Armitt that the cloth, valued at \$20, was the property of the Sam Kwong Cloth Company. It was believed to have been discarded in Hillier Street by a small boy, who stole it.

Another charge of returning from burlesque was brought against Lo, and on this count he was given a sentence of nine months' hard labour.

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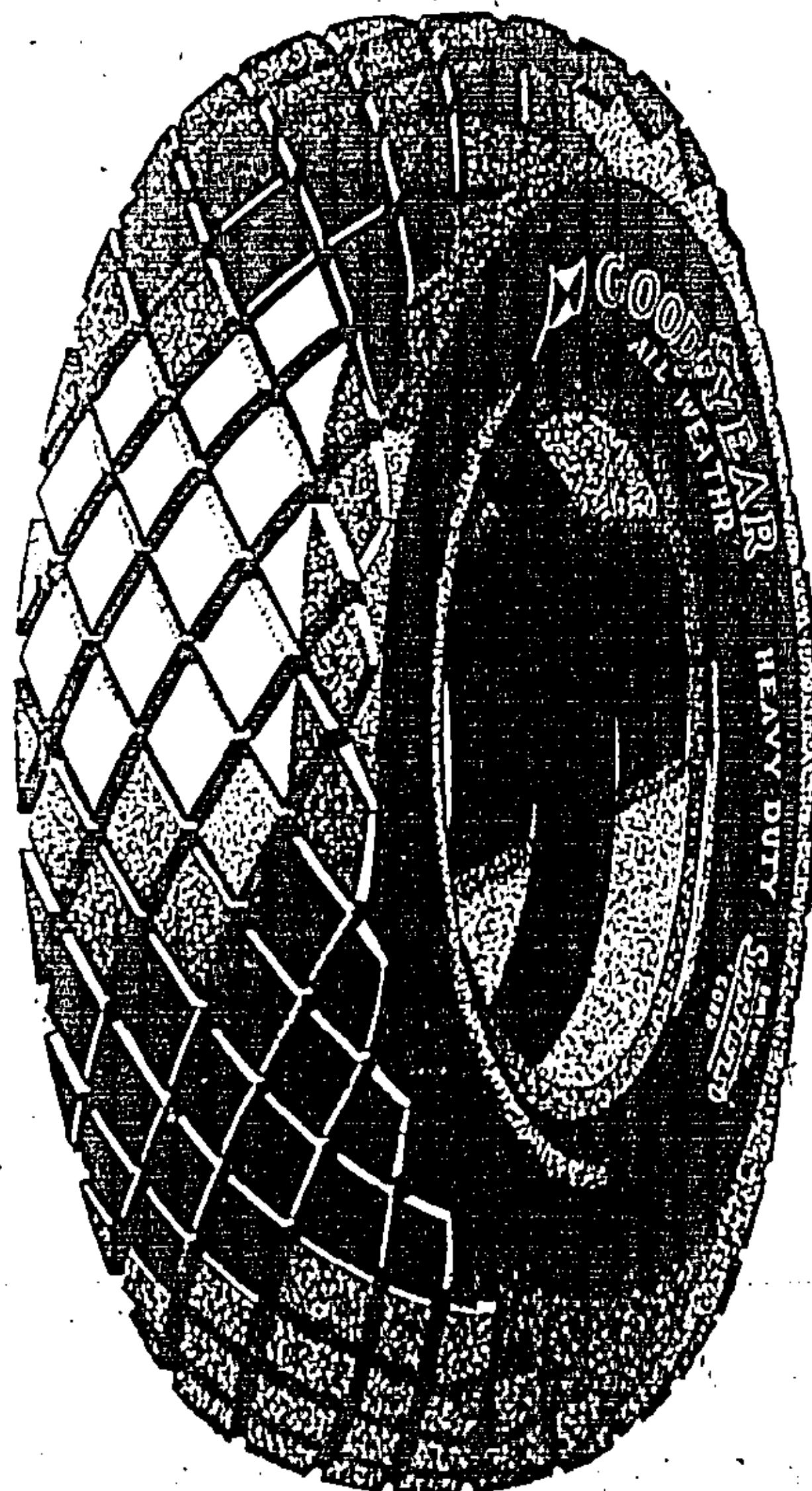
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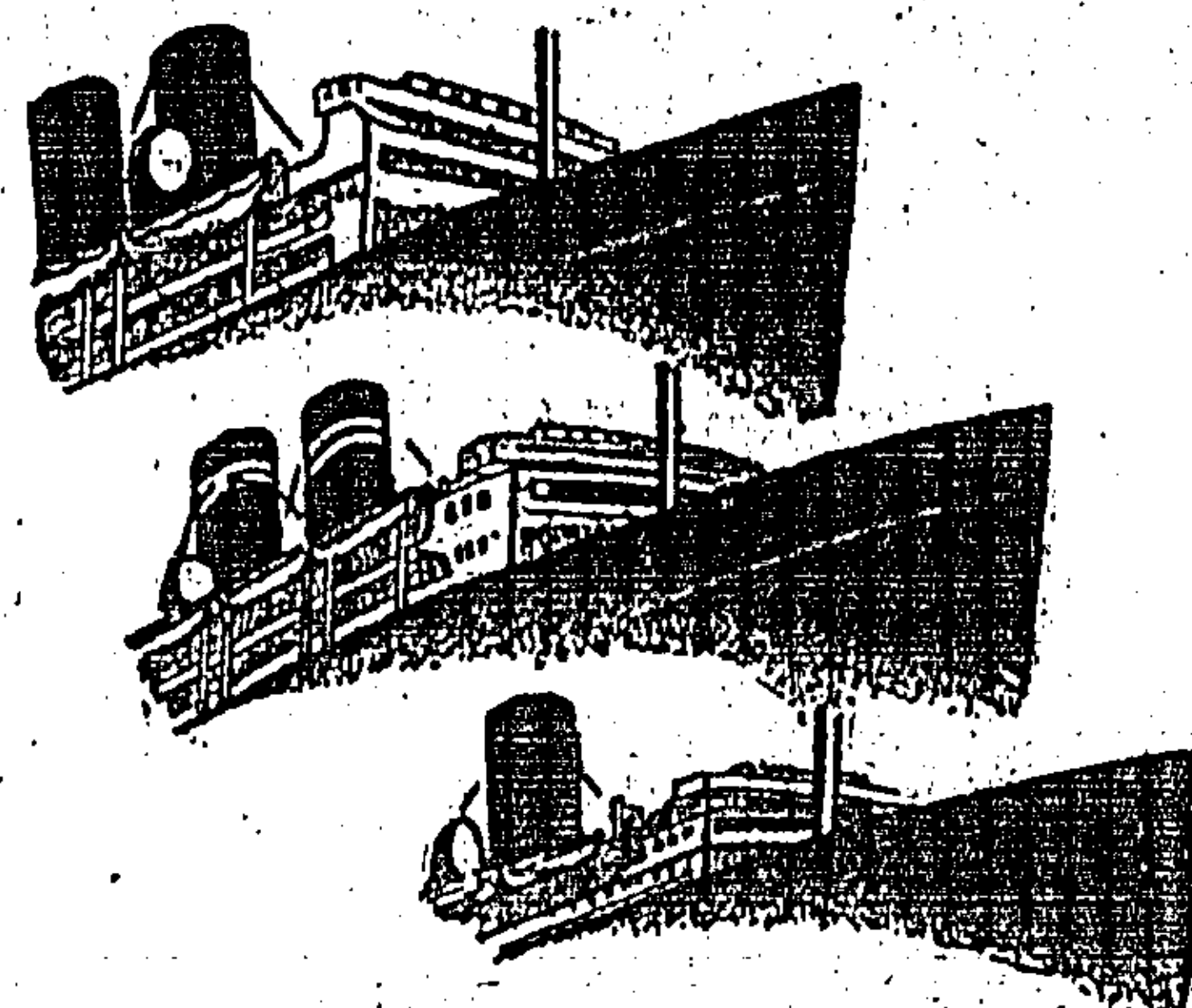
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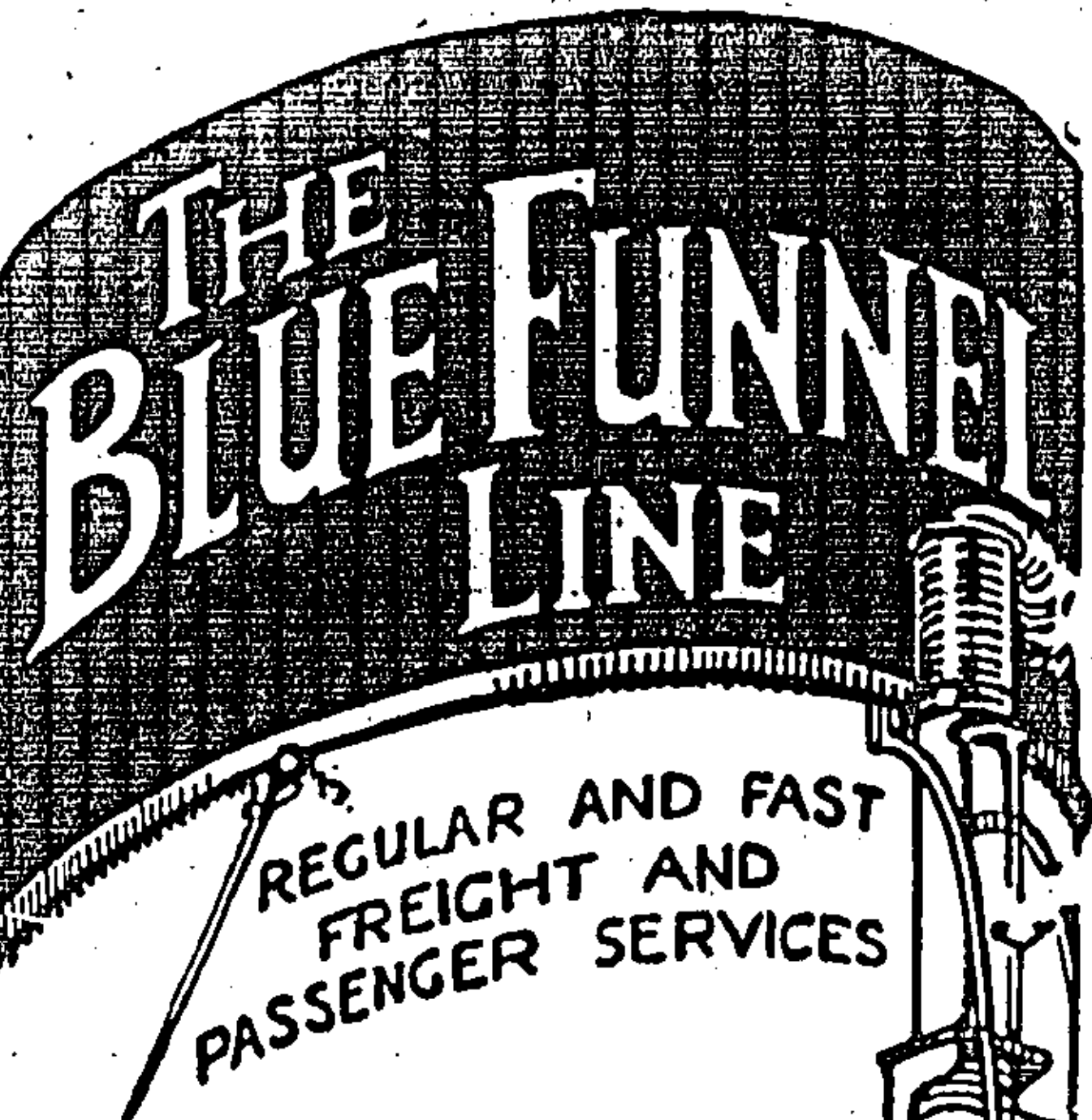
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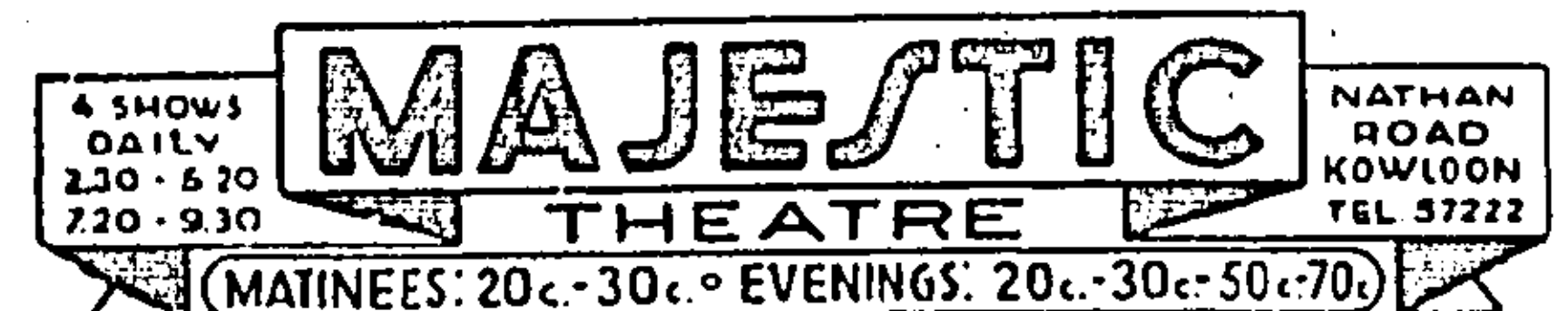
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Frenchman Vanished Here

REWARD OFFER IN SEARCH FOR LOST VISITOR

M. L. J. L. L. THOLLIER LAST SEEN LANDING HERE FROM SHANGHAI SHIP

A reward of \$100 for information leading to the discovery of M. Lucien Joseph Louis Laurent Thollier is being offered by the French Consulate of Hongkong, it was learned this morning. There is fear he may have met with foul play here.

M. Thollier, a native of St. Etienne, France, is 51, young-looking and happily married with one daughter aged 15. Since his disappearance in Hongkong on the night of September 1, his wife has been staying with her brother at Hue and is still without news of her husband.

Curious features about the disappearance are that M. Thollier had apparently no car in the world to induce him voluntarily to leave it. He was in a good post in Shanghai as general secretary to the French Trade Commissioner and was a healthy man. He had been in Shanghai for several years.

M. Jobard de Gapany, Hongkong agent for Messageries Maritimes, said this morning that M. Thollier was in Shanghai at the outbreak of the present war and decided to send his family to Hue to stay with his cousin, who is chief secretary to the Resident General for Annam.

DECIDED TO FOLLOW

The family safely arrived at Hue and later M. Thollier decided to follow them. Though he himself saw service in the Great War, it was evident to his friends that he had a horror of the warfare that was threatening Shanghai. He accordingly boarded the French boat Felix Roussel, which arrived in Hongkong about 5 p.m. on September 1, and was due to leave for Indo-China at 9 a.m. the next day.

M. de Gapany met the boat as usual, though he did not know M. Thollier was on board. Though he and M. Thollier were close friends, the latter did not announce his presence in Hongkong and did not communicate with his bank or Consulate, as he might ordinarily have done.

NOT SEEN TO RETURN

About 3 a.m. stewards on the Felix Roussel saw M. Thollier leave the ship and go ashore. He was not seen to return and the ship sailed at scheduled time, it being impractical to check up on the passengers at that early hour. It was not until later in the day that M. Thollier was missed. A radio was then sent to M. de Gapany saying that evidently M. Thollier had left the ship at Hong-

kong and his luggage would be landed at Saigon.

This was the first intimation to M. de Gapany that his friend had been in Hongkong and he immediately made inquiries, informed the Consulate and sought the assistance of the police.

Nothing has since been heard of M. Thollier and, as a further resort, it is proposed to offer a reward in the Chinese press for information that might lead to his discovery.

STIFF FINE FOR RENT COLLECTOR USED RECEIPT STAMPS A SECOND TIME

A fine of \$200 was inflicted on Chiu Ying-yau, 37, rent collector, by Mr. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning, when he appeared on bail of \$500, charged with having fraudulently affixed a 10-cent stamp on each of seven rent receipts, these stamps having previously been used.

Fung Chung, 63, of No 125 Electric Road, Causeway Bay, said defendant was his rent collector, and issued the receipts.

Detective-Sergeant J. G. Whitterott attached to the Colonial Treasury, said he visited Fung's shop on December 3, and examined the account books and rent receipts. On seven of the receipts produced, witness found that the stamps bore traces of having been previously used. On Fung's information, defendant was located and charged.

Accused said he could not account for the used nature of the stamps. His Worship remarked that he took a serious view of the offence.

HAVE YOU SEEN THIS MAN?



M. Lucien Thollier, aged 51, has been missing since September 1, when he was seen to go ashore in Hongkong. A reward is offered for information leading to his discovery.

STOP PRESS

TOKYO READY TO CELEBRATE

Tokyo, Dec. 7. Elated by the news of the imminent fall to Nanking, the people of Tokyo are planning celebrations on a vast scale. The municipalities have ordered preparations for the mobilisation of 800,000 school children and students to take part in flag parades as soon as the news of the capture of the Chinese capital is flashed to Tokyo.

Fifty thousand will parade in the plaza before the palace and will "Banzai" the Emperor, while 20,000 youths will gather at various points in the evening to stage a lantern parade to the Palace, the War Ministry and the Navy Ministry.

Similar celebrations are being arranged throughout Japan.—Reuter.

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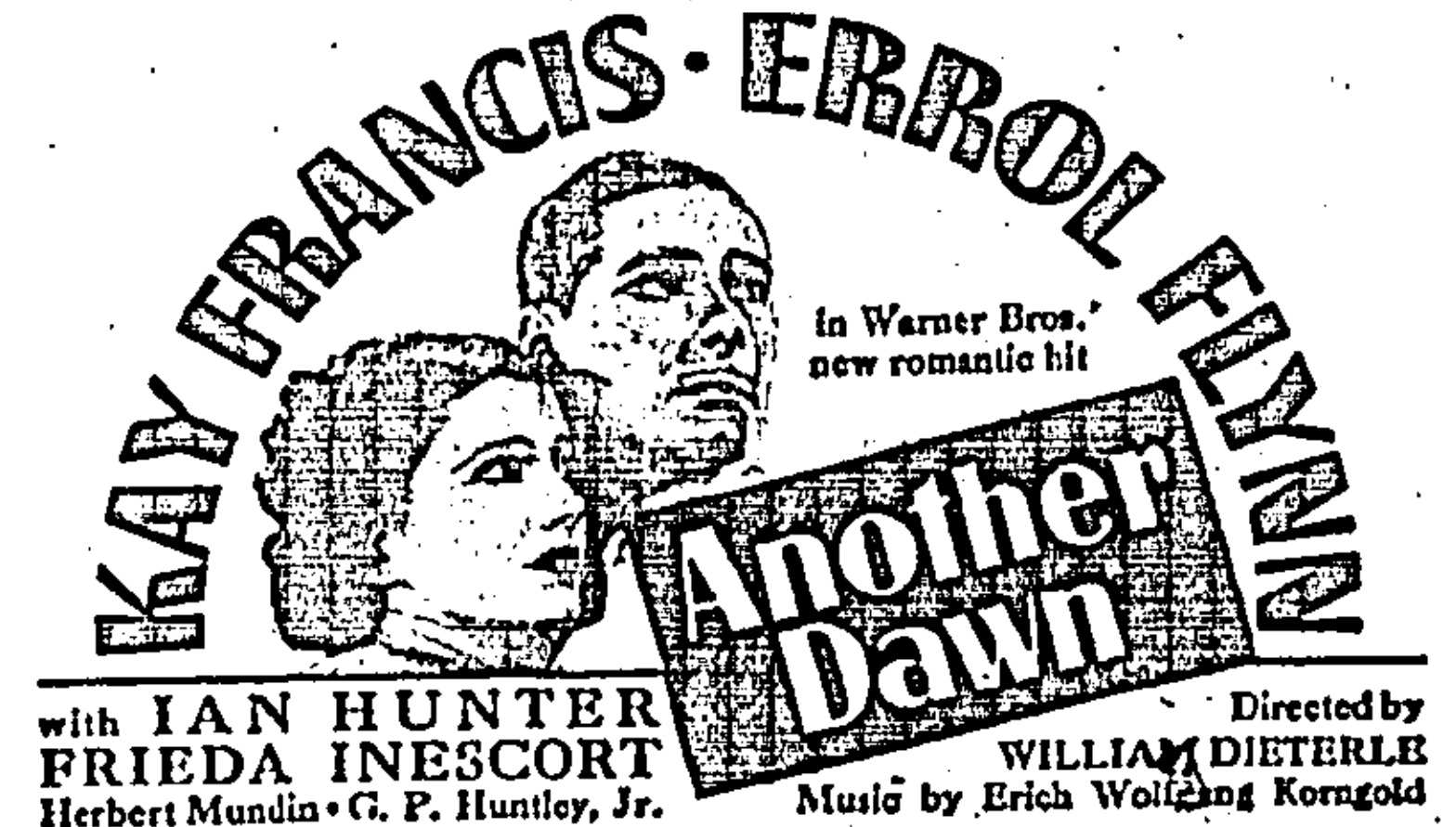


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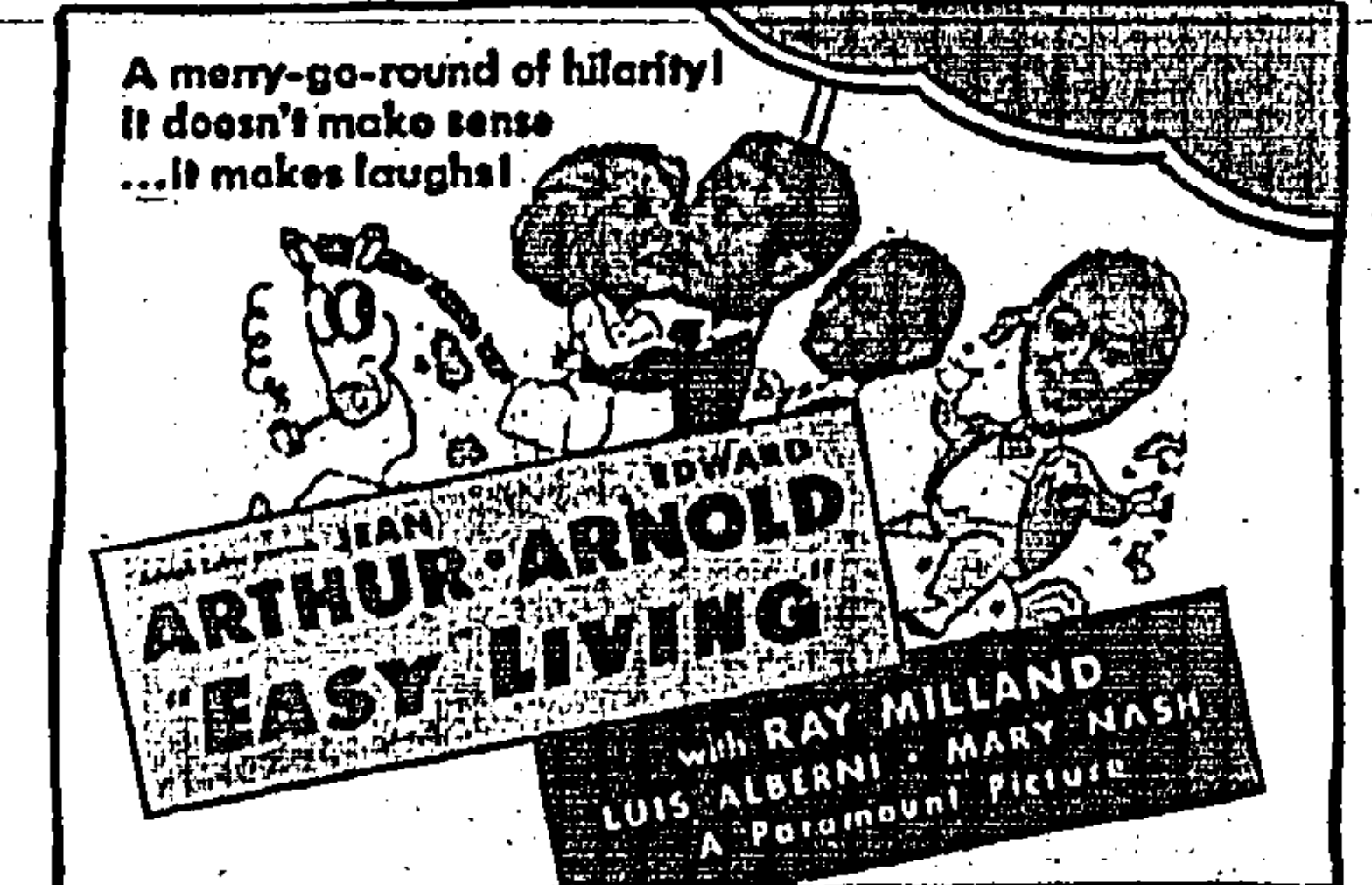
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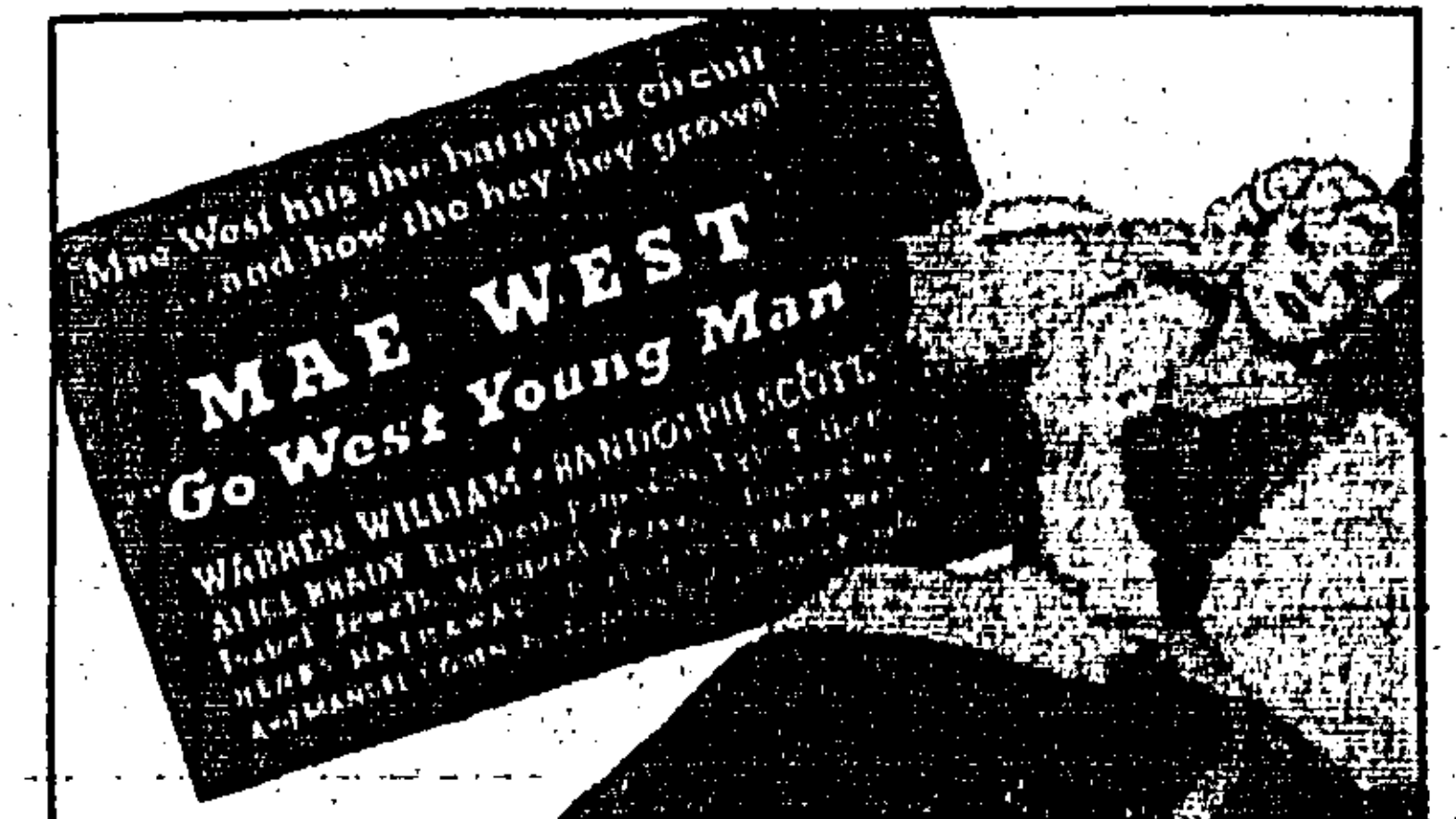
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